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## JIJIGA CAPTURED: IMPERIAL FORCES NOW NEARING THE CAPITAL OF IL DUCE'S EAST AFRICA EMPIRE

### Italians In Abyssinia Have Only One Road Left To Coast

JIJIGA, IMPORTANT TOWN IN EASTERN ABYSSINIA, WAS CAPTURED BY BRITISH FORCES ON MONDAY EVENING, ACCORDING TO AN OFFICIAL COMMUNIQUE FROM NAIROBI, QUOTED IN A LONDON MESSAGE.

Jijiga, the last important centre on the road before the point of intersection with the Addis-Ababa-Jibouti railway, adds Reuter, is within 60 miles of the town of DIRE-DAWA, which a few days ago was bombed by the R.A.F., and within 50 miles is the town of HARAR.

ADDIS ABABA IS ONLY 250 MILES DISTANT FROM JIJIGA AND IMPERIAL FORCES ARE NEARING THE CAPITAL OF SIGNOR MUSSOLINI'S EAST AFRICAN EMPIRE.

The capture of Jijiga means that the British forces can be more easily supplied with food and ammunition and it also means that the Italians in Abyssinia have only one road left open to the coast. This is from Addis Ababa to French Somaliland.

## Australia Committed To Prosecution Of War On The Side Of Britain

### COMMONWEALTH GOVERNMENT DINNER TO MR. KAWAI

At a dinner given by the Commonwealth Government of Australia in honour of MR. TATSUO KAWAI, the new Japanese Minister, the Acting Prime Minister, MR. A. W. FADDEN, proposing the toast to the principal guest, said that Australia was committed to the prosecution of the war on the side of Britain, states a Sydney message.

## PLIGHT OF ITALIAN ARMY

The plight of the Italian Army in Albania is revealed in the diary of an officer, states a London message.

The officer writes that for 20 days he was on a snow-covered height with nine men and not a scrap of bread was sent to them.

The postal service was scandalous and during the campaign the troops were kept in ignorance of the real situation.

They were told by wireless that revolution had broken out in Greece.—(Special)

## DEATH OF MR. J. B. AFFLECK

LONDON, Mar. 19 (Reuter).—The death occurred here of Mr. John Barr Affleck, the former Consul-General at Tientsin.

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## YUGOSLAVIA TO SIGN PACT?

Two Ministers of the Yugoslavian Government were expected to leave for Berlin yesterday to sign a pact of friendship and non-aggression with Germany, states a message from Sydney.

In Belgrade, however, it was announced that the Yugoslav Army would not permit the passage of German troops through their territory.

In the meantime Turkey and Greece have sent notes to Yugoslavia advising her not to join the Axis and promising her assistance if she is attacked.—(Special)

## Many Rendered Homeless In Heavy Hull Raid: More Communal Kitchens

### DRAMATIC ESCAPE OF FOUR PERSONS PLAYING CARDS

HULL was the main objective of enemy raiders on Tuesday night and explosive and incendiary bombs have rendered many people homeless, states a London message.

The local authorities have opened six more communal kitchens. A large number of fires were started but they were all put out by daybreak.

Industrial and commercial buildings were also damaged but the casualties are not expected to be unduly heavy.

The wife and daughter of the Chief of the C.I.D. in Hull were killed.

Four people, playing cards in a house, had a remarkable escape when a bomb fell. They dived under the table which took the weight of the debris. In the recent savage raids on MERSEYSIDE 500 civilians were killed and 500 seriously injured while at CLYDESIDE another 500 were killed and 800 seriously injured.—(Special)

## AMERICAN SHIPPING WARNED

The United States Navy Department has warned American merchant ships to navigate with caution along the Atlantic coast, states a London message.

This is linked up with routine submarine training manoeuvres off Long Island Sound, Florida and Virginia.

It is reported that U.S. destroyers will escort President Roosevelt when he leaves in his yacht for a short holiday.—(Special)

## HEAVY ATTACK ON DURAZZO

Royal Air Force bombers made a heavy attack on the port of Durazzo and in spite of heavy fire from the ground defences the raid was one of the most successful, states a London message.

Another formation of bombers scored direct hits on Italian transports north of Tepelini.—(Special)

## BREMEN TOTALLY DESTROYED

LONDON, Mar. 19 (Reuter).—The crack German liner Bremen, 51,000 tons, has been totally destroyed, according to the Berlin correspondent of the Swedish newspaper GOTEBORGS POSTEN.

Investigations show that an accident can be ruled out, the message adds, as fires broke out at several points simultaneously.

## Today's News Summary

THE CAPTURE OF JIJIGA by British forces on Monday means that the Italians in Abyssinia have only one road left open to the coast. Imperial forces are now nearing Addis Ababa. Meanwhile, operations around Keren are developing favourably.

BUSES AND TRAMS in the French Concession and buses in the International Settlement are at a standstill as the result of a strike in Shanghai. The workers are demanding increased wages and rice allowance.

KIEL, IMPORTANT CENTRE of the German war industry, and Wilhelmshaven were raided on Tuesday night as were oil storage tanks in Rotterdam and the docks at Emden. In the raids over Britain, Hull suffered heavily and many were rendered homeless.

IN NAIROBI, A DRAMATIC story was revealed to a crowded Court in the trial of a baronet for the murder of Lord Errol.

THE U. S. NAVY DEPARTMENT has warned American merchant ships to navigate with caution off the Atlantic seaboard. This is in connexion with routine submarine manoeuvres.

PRINCE BERNHARD OF THE NETHERLANDS was entertained by the Royal Empire Society in London yesterday. The Secretary for the Dominions and Lord Simon spoke at the function.

## EDEN'S MESSAGE TO GREECE

MR. EDEN, Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, has sent a telegram to the Prime Minister of Greece congratulating him on the further brilliant successes of the Greek Army in repelling recent heavy Italian counter-attacks in Albania, states a London message.

Mr. Eden said: "The bravery and determination of the Greek troops in these operations have aroused the admiration of free peoples throughout the world."—(Special)

## 22ND VICTORY

The leader of the Burma Squadron of the Fighter Command, who has already won the D.S.O. and D.F.C. with bar, yesterday shot down his 22nd enemy aircraft, states a London message.

He took off in the early morning on a local weather survey and soon returned after shooting down a Dornier-17. This was his 22nd confirmed victory.—(Special)

## CRANBORNE PAYS TRIBUTE TO DUTCH MERCHANTMEN

PRINCE BERNHARD of the Netherlands and his staff were the guests of the ROYAL EMPIRE SOCIETY at luncheon yesterday, states a London message.

Prince Bernhard referred to the far-reaching influence of the brotherhood in arms.

"As a producing country," he said, "we ought to do everything we can to see that the requirements of the world shall be provided for."

Lord Cranborne, the Dominions Secretary, spoke in praise of the notable contributions the Dutch people were making to the war effort and paid particular tribute to the Dutch merchantmen.

Lord Simon said that the people of Rotterdam who had been murdered from the air by the Germans had not died in vain, and their efforts would not be wasted.

The Netherlands Prime Minister said that to see the living tradition of the British people was a revelation.—(Special)



PRINCE BERNHARD

ON MANOEUVRES  
Prince Bernhard of the Netherlands has been on manoeuvres on board a Dutch warship in Northern waters, states a London message.—(Special)

## DRAMATIC MURDER STORY

NAIROBI, Mar. 19 (Reuter).—A dramatic story was unfolded to a crowded Court here when the case was resumed in which a baronet is charged with the murder of a peer.

In an alleged statement made in January, SIR DELVES BROUGHTON said his wife had told him a fortnight previously that she and LORD ERROL loved one another.

He and his wife had previously made a pact that, if either fell in love, they would release one another. He realised nothing could be done and he told his wife there was nothing to worry about and that he would go to Ceylon and she could have the house at Keren.

FAREWELL NOTE  
Sir Broughton denied all knowledge of Lord Errol's death. He attended Lord Errol's funeral and after the mourners had gone, he dropped on the coffin a farewell note which his wife had given him to drop in the grave.

Other evidence today concerned

## Pétain On Freedom Of France

In a broadcast yesterday, Marshal Pétain, Premier of Vichy, referred to criticisms of the Government but added that one day when France will be free he would promulgate a new constitution, states a London message.

"Meanwhile, we must govern," he said, and ended by asking men in the forbidden zones to carry on their work.

## DARLAN RETURNS

Admiral Darlan, Vice-Premier of Vichy, returned to Vichy after a visit to Paris where he saw Herr Abetz and Marshal Pétain's representative in occupied France, Count de Brignon, who is expected in at Vichy at the week-end to report to Marshal Pétain.—(Special)

a huge bonfire which Sir Delves was stated to have started in his garden the day after the tragedy, and on which he poured aviation spirit.

The enquiry is proceeding.

## Entire Shanghai Bus And Tram Services At Standstill

SHANGHAI, Mar. 19 (Reuter).—The entire tram and bus services in the French Concession here have been brought to a standstill owing to a sudden strike of drivers and conductors this morning. Shortly after the men had presented a series of demands for more pay and rice allowance.

Disatisfied with the Company's reply that the demands would be considered, the men deserted the vehicles while on the road with the result that the Concession's streets are now blocked for miles by rows of stationary and empty trams and buses.

## SPREADS TO SETTLEMENT

The strike spread to the Settlement buses in the afternoon, involving another 2,000 men who, it is reported, also presented a set of demands virtually similar to the French tram workers.

It means the only cheap public transport left now in the Settlement are the trams, which are hitherto not affected.

Meanwhile, the rice situation remains most critical with the price continuing to go up.

## BRITAIN BEST BUYER

Britain was Canada's best purchaser last month, states a London message. The total was £127,000,000.—(Special)

## CHINA REMAINS UNCONQUERED

MR. QUO TAI-CHI, Chinese Ambassador to the Court of St. James's, speaking in London yesterday, said:

"China remains unconquered and remains as ever unconquerable. We have our China Kai-shih just as you have your Winston Churchill and the United States their Franklin Roosevelt."—(Special)

## ADVERTISEMENTS

## THE FANLING HUNT &amp; RACE CLUB

March Meeting, 23rd March, 1941.

The March Meeting will be held at Kwantia on Sunday, 23rd March, 1941, commencing at 2.45 p.m.

A special train will leave Kowloon at 1.08 p.m. and return at 6.41 p.m. The First Class Return Fare of \$2 includes admittance to the Race Course.

The price of admission to the Public Enclosure is \$1 including Tax. Servicemen in uniform are admitted half price.

By Order of the Committee,  
THOMSON & CO.,  
Secretaries.

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## THE HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB

Second Extra Race Meeting  
Saturday, 29th March, 1941.

The closing of the entries for the above has been postponed to 5.00 P.M. on MONDAY, 24th March.

By Order,

C. B. BROWN,  
Secretary.

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## THE HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB

THE FIRST EXTRA RACE MEETING has again been postponed. It will now be held, weather permitting, on SATURDAY, 22nd March, 1941, commencing at 2.00 p.m.

The first Bell will be rung at 1.30 p.m.

## MEMBERS' ENCLOSURE

No One without a badge will be admitted to the Members' Enclosure. Such must be worn throughout the duration of each meeting in such a manner as to be readily identified.

Badges admitting Non-Members to the Members' Enclosure and Club Rooms at \$5.00 for Gentlemen and \$3.00 for Ladies (both including tax) are obtainable through the SECRETARY upon the personal or written application of a Member, such Member to be responsible for all visitors introduced by him, and for Payment of all Chits, etc.

The Secretary's Office, 1st floor, Exchange Building (Tel. 27794), will close at 11.45 a.m.

Tickets are obtainable at the Club House provided they are ordered in advance from the No. 1 Boy (Telephone 21820).

No children or animals will be admitted to either Enclosure.

## PUBLIC ENCLOSURE

The price of Admission to the Public Enclosure is \$1.00 including Tax, for all Persons, including Ladies, and is payable at the Gate. Soldiers and Sailors in Uniform are admitted Half Price.

By Order,

C. B. BROWN,  
Secretary.

Hong Kong, 17th March, 1941.

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## What do you want?

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## In the World of Sports



## South China Retain Senior League Title By Defeating Police

Remarkable for the quick time in which both sides found the net after periods of somewhat dull play, the Senior League football match played at Caroline Hill yesterday afternoon resulted in a win for SOUTH CHINA over the POLICE by four goals to two. The Chinese thereby retaining the championship title by a solitary point over Eastern.

After a goalless first half, South China found the net three times in the first five minutes after resumption of play while towards the end the Police, making a spirited rally, scored two goals in about as many minutes.

Lee Wai-tong, leader of the Chinese attack, was too well shadowed by Gough, the Police pivot, but the elusive Chan Tak-fai had a field day claiming three of the four goals scored by the Caroline Hill team while Chow Man-chi shot the other.

Howlett did his level best to infuse life into the Police attack and his goal in the second half was the reward of constant trying. Ferrier, who also worked hard at inside-left, was responsible for one of the best opportunist goals of the match.

## DEFENCE ON TOP

The Chinese defence outshone their opponents and Tsang Chung-wan and Lau Chung-sang caught the eye in particular. The attack worked with perfect combination and there were some neat passing bouts between Lee Wai-tong and Lee Shek-yau, who, on the left wing, had the full measure of Pope.

Blackburn was not his usual self but nevertheless saved many dangerous situations while Chan Kwong-yue was steady. Tsang Wing, 18, goal, was tested on numerous occasions and acquitted himself well.

The first half saw a fairly equal share of exchanges with the custodians of the law perhaps having a slight edge of the Chinese. The second half, as has already been stated, was featured by two bouts of rapid goal scoring but apart from this play was not very interesting. Gordon, who had a heavy fall early in the game was a passenger later on.

The teams were:—  
SOUTH CHINA: Tam Kwan-kon; Tsang Chung-wan, Tse Kam-hung; Lau Hing-choi, Lam Tak-po, Lau Chung-sang; Lee Tak-kee, Chow Man-chi, Lee Wai-tong, Chan Tak-fai and Lee Shek-yau.

POLICE: Tsang Wing; Blackburn, Chan Kwong-yue; Pope, Gough, North, Gordon, Wong Man-kwai, Howlett, Ferrier and Moss.

MATCH POSTPONED  
The other First Division match between Royal Navy and Royal Scots was postponed. The reason for the postponement is not known, but the Naval team was seen yesterday hard at practice, perhaps in anticipation of their coming Shield semi-final match with Eastern.

It is learned that they will be fielding the same team that played in the Kotewall Cup for this important match.

## SIGNALS DROP POINT

Royal Corps of Signals dropped a point in their race for League championship honours in the Third Division, when they were held to a draw by 7th R.A. at Sookumpoo yesterday, each side scoring once. The 7th R.A. had their defence to thank for keeping a check on a strong attack, in which Maddington and Saunders, centre-half and right-back, respectively, played brilliantly.

## 12TH R.A. WIN

In the other Third Division match played at Stanley, between 12th R.A. and Royal Engineers, the former won by three goals to one. The match between 36th R.A. and R.A.F. in Third Division was postponed.

## LEAGUE TABLES TO DATE

## FIRST DIVISION

	P.	W.	D.	L.	F.	A.	Pts.
S. China	20	16	2	2	63	24	34
Eastern	20	15	3	2	70	32	33
Sing Tao	19	13	3	3	48	23	28
Middlesex	19	11	2	6	43	37	24
R. Navy	19	5	5	9	45	49	15
Kowloon	18	3	4	11	29	35	14
R. Scots	18	8	2	10	36	44	14
Police	18	0	1	17	29	47	13
K. Wah	16	4	4	11	40	61	12
Club	16	4	1	11	31	52	9
St. Joseph's	20	3	3	14	22	59	9

## SECOND DIVISION

	P.	W.	D.	L.	F.	A.	Pts.
R.E.	22	10	3	1	83	24	23
R.A.S.C.	22	18	2	2	105	37	38
Sing Tao	19	13	3	3	53	23	28
Middlesex	22	12	3	7	64	43	27
S. China	23	11	5	7	71	37	27
K. Wah	23	11	3	9	67	45	25
R. Scots	23	11	2	10	55	35	24
36th R.A.	22	9	4	9	53	64	22
R. Navy	23	9	2	12	45	64	20
K. Wah	23	8	4	11	45	64	20
R.A.O.C.	24	7	5	12	39	57	19
Police	22	5	2	15	34	79	12
Club	23	2	2	19	22	106	6
Kowloon	20	0	4	16	18	86	4

## THIRD DIVISION

	P.	W.	D.	L.	F.	A.	Pts.
Signals	21	14	5	2	52	21	33
R.A.F.	20	14	4	2	61	23	32
24th R.A.	21	10	5	6	52	26	25
36th R.A.	21	10	5	6	52	26	25
12th R.A.	19	10	5	4	47	25	25
35th R.A.	20	9	4	7	45	42	22
R.E.	21	10	1	10	56	37	21
7th R.A.	21	8	5	8	37	37	21
R.A.M.C.	21	9	2	10	39	60	20
Internat	20	7	3	10	44	47	17
24th R.A.	19	6	2	11	29	54	14
Shell	19	1	4	14	18	85	6
A.S.A.	21	0	2	19	8	85	2

## SPORTING FIXTURES

## TODAY

BADMINTON.—(At Talkoo), Men's Junior Singles.—E. Zimmer v. J. Hooi, 8 p.m. Men's Senior Doubles.—K. W. Choy and K. B. Low v. J. J. Remedios and H. F. Gonsalves, 8.45 p.m. Mixed Doubles.—B. Kwok and Mrs. P. Wilson v. M. A. Oliveira and Miss M. Silva, 9.15 p.m.

SNOOKER.—Garrison League. Military Police v. R.A. Station Mess, R.A.P.C. v. Engineers "A", R.A.M.C. v. Eng. Sgt. Mess, Signals Mess v. Signals "A".

TENNIS.—Colony Championships—Open Singles.—O. Uen-tan v. M. Pagh, 8.5 a.m. v. A. Crawford, Open Doubles.—Kenneth Lo and Lee Ming v. H. D. and S.A. Ramjahn, Club Singles Championship.—H. Van Leeuwen v. G.W. Sewell, V.R. Gordon v. A.K. Mackenzie, Club Handicap Singles.—J. Stirling Lee (-2/6) v. E. S. Hall (plus 3/6), H.C.D. Knight (-2/6) v. A.C.I. Bowker (-3/6), Club Handicap Doubles.—C.H.R. Oxlade and A.H. Barwell (-3/6) v. E. H. Brazil and G.P. Charlton (-3/6) matches.

## R.E. IN CRICKET FINAL

Royal Engineers qualified for the final of the Large Units Cricket competition, when they beat Royal Artillery by 11 runs.

At one stage, Royal Artillery looked like winners, having on the board 94 for 4, but they collapsed towards the end.

Denyer and Megson were the most successful bowlers, the former capturing four wickets for 45 runs and the latter four for 48. Royal Engineers: 128 (Radcliffe 3, Megson 30; Robinson 2 for 23, Lt. T. A. Pearce 3 for 34).

Royal Artillery: 117 (2nd Lt. Plummer 43, T. A. Pearce 36; Megson 4 for 48, Denyer 4 for 48).

## SHANGHAI FOOTBALL RIOT SEQUEL

SHANGHAI, Mar. 18 (Reuter).—As a further sequel to Saturday's football riot at the Cantidrome, a meeting of the Committee of the Shanghai Football Association decided to suspend the entire Tung Hwa XI until further notice. At the same time the Committee decided to cancel all remaining matches.



Picture taken during a valley-ball game between King's College and South China "A" at the Botanic athletic ground. —(Sun Ying Ming Studio).

## HOME SOCCER FIXTURES

LONDON, Mar. 19 (Reuter).—The following are the soccer fixtures for Saturday:

## WAR CUP

Third Round, South  
Chelsea v. Queen's P.R.; Mansfield v. Leicester; Tottenham v. Cardiff.

Third Round, North  
Manchester C. v. Everton; Middlesbrough v. Newcastle; Sheffield U. v. Barnsley; Tranmere v. Preston N.E.

## LONDON CUP

Aldershot v. Fulham, Millwall v. Arsenal, West Ham v. Reading.

## LEAGUE SOUTH

Bournemouth v. Portsmouth; Brighton v. Luton; Watford v. Southampton.

## SOUTH REGIONAL

Crystal Pal. v. Brentford; Notts C. v. Lincoln; Stoke v. West Brom.

## NORTH REGIONAL

Bolton v. Bury; Bradford C. v. Stockport; Doncaster v. Chesterfield; Halifax v. Burnley; Hull v. Grimsby; Leeds v. Sheffield Wednesday; Liverpool v. Blackpool; Oldham v. Manchester United; Southport v. New Brighton; Wrexham v. Chester.

## WEST REGIONAL

Bath v. Lovells; Bristol City v. Abernethy; Cardiff Corinthians v. Swansea.

## SCOTTISH CUP

Celtic v. Airdrie; Partick v. Motherwell; Albion v. St. Mirren; Hamilton v. Dumbarton; Third Lanark v. Dumbarton; Falkirk v. Rangers; Hibernian v. Clyde; Queen's Park v. Hearts.

## HO KA-LAU DEFEATED

TENNIS SINGLES SURPRISE

The first surprise result in the Open Singles tennis championship was caused by K. H. Yip, champion of South China A. A., yesterday when he eliminated Ho Ka-lau, seasoned campaigner, by 6-1, 6-1.

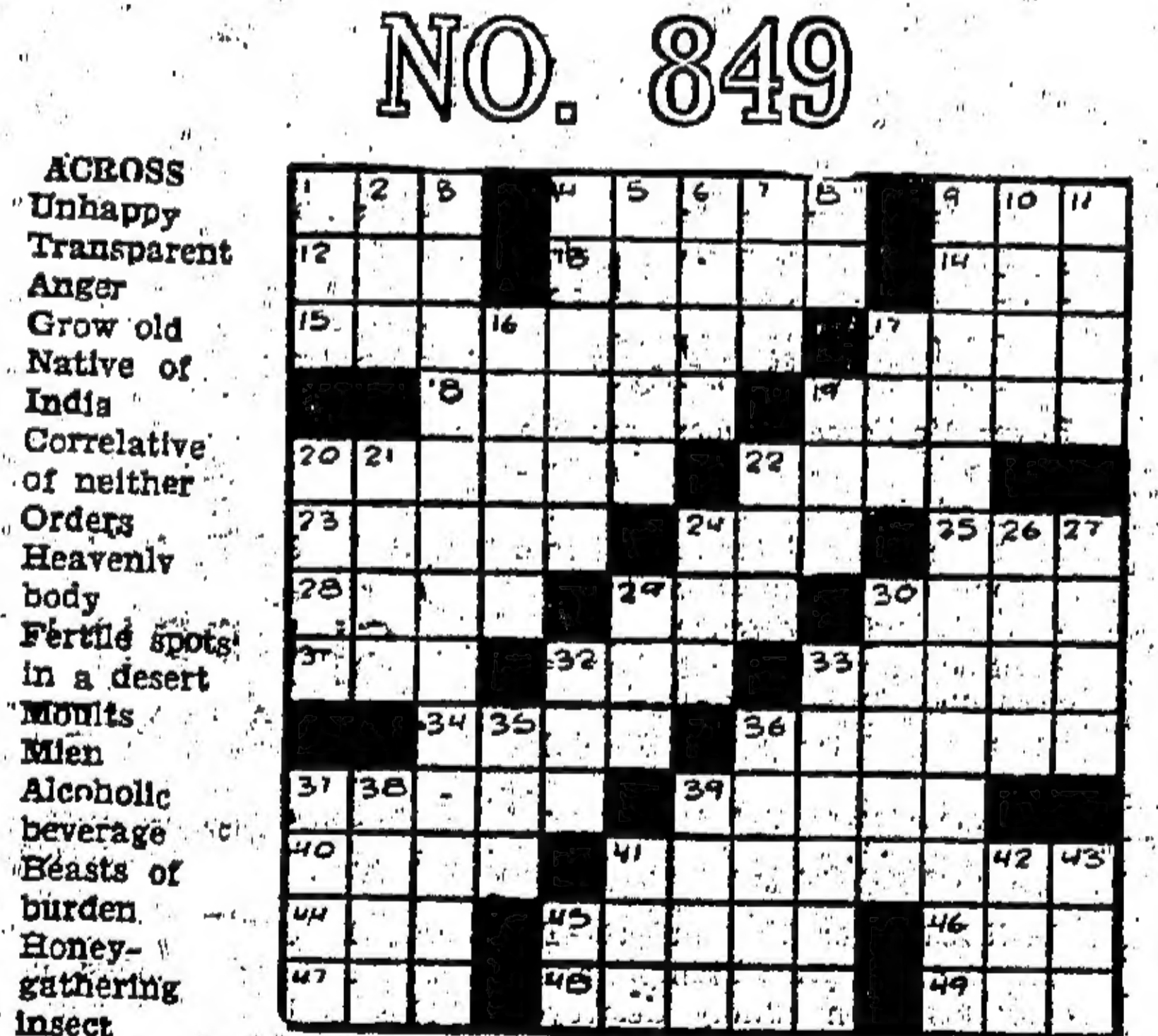
The match was fought wholly on the baseline with neither player seldom advancing to the forecourt. Yip is one of the most promising of the younger players and, on yesterday's performance, should go far in the tournament.

Results of other matches were:—  
Open Doubles: B. and I. Agaroff beat Pang Oi-lam and Lee Kam-ming 6-2, 8-6; G. Choa and A. V. Remedios beat A. H. Harris and H. J. Armstrong 6-2, 6-1; Paul Kong and Fung Yee-pui beat H. Kwok and T. E. Ling 6-4, 6-3; B. O'Deane and A. T. Dow walk over W. J. Howard and A. Kitchell.

Club 'B' cap singles: T. C. Monaghan (-3/8) beat P. Wynter-Blyth (-2/8) 6-3, 6-3.

Motherwell, Albion v. St. Mirren; Hamilton v. Dumbarton; Third Lanark v. Dumbarton; Falkirk v. Rangers; Hibernian v. Clyde; Queen's Park v. Hearts.

## CROSSWORD NO. 849



- ACROSS  
1 Unhappy  
4 Transparent  
9 Anger  
12 Grow old  
13 Native of India  
14 Correlative of neither  
15 Orders  
17 Heavenly body  
18 Fertile spots in a desert  
19 Mounts  
20 Mien  
21 Alcoholic beverage  
22 Beasts of burden  
24 Honey-gathering insect  
25 Negative (abbr.)  
28 Places  
29 Small child  
30 Female horse  
31 Sailor  
32 Public vehicle  
33 Belonging to the morning  
34 One of the Arabian race  
36 Covers the inner surface of again  
37 Provide food  
39 Adage  
40 Dry  
41 Behavior  
44 Constellation  
45 A Turk  
48 Part of a sailing ship  
47 Human being
- DOWN  
1 Membranous pouch  
2 Gone by  
3 Manifestation  
4 Pursues  
5 Steamship  
6 Terminates  
7 Adjective (colloq.)  
8 Symbol for ruthenium  
9 Between nations  
10 Highway  
11 Mistake  
16 Long hair growing on neck of horse (pl.)  
17 That girl  
18 Observe  
20 Part of a sailing ship  
21 Toward the sea  
22 Wager  
24 Woman's short haircut  
26 Ireland  
27 Diminutive of Eugene  
29 Flap  
30 British island in Mediterranean Sea  
32 Cage of an elevator  
33 Units of length  
35 Color  
36 Style of type  
37 Serene  
38 Open space  
39 Apportion  
41 Ricochet upon the surface of water  
42 Coin of Denmark  
43 Soak, as fax  
45 Toward

## PROGRAMME FOR SECOND EXTRA MEET

The following is the advance programme for the Second Extra Race Meeting of the Hongkong Jockey Club to be held at Happy Valley on Saturday, March 23.

1-3 p.m.—Kongmun Plate.—Winner \$750. Second \$300. Third \$200. For China Ponies, Griffins of this Season, Winners of more than \$1,000 in stakes barred. Weight: 149 lb. 1 lb. penalty for every \$100 or part thereof won in stakes. Jockey Allowance. Entrance \$5. One Mile.

2-2.30 p.m.—Fatsan Handicap.—First Section.—Winner \$500. Second \$300. Third \$200. For China Ponies, "C" Class, Griffins of this Season that have won \$1,000 or less in stakes barred. To be ridden by Jockeys who have not won ten races anywhere at any time. No Whips or Spurs allowed. Entrance \$5. From The 1 1/2 Mile Post (About Half Mile 170 Yards).

NOTE.—One Entry only will be made for the Fatsan Handicap (Races Nos. 2 and 3). Entries will be divided into First and Second Sections at the discretion of the Handicapper.

3-3 p.m.—Stewards' Cup.—Presented: with \$1,500 added for Winner. Second \$500. Third \$300. A Handicap for Australian ponies, Griffins of this Season, Winners of \$5,000 or more in stakes barred. Entrance \$10. From The Two Mile Post Once Round & In (About 1 Mile 171 Yards).

4-3.30 p.m.—Broken Hill Handicap.—Winner \$1,000. Second \$500. Third \$300. For Australian Ponies, "A" Class, Entrance \$5. From The Two Mile Post Once Round & In (About 1 Mile 171 Yards).

5-4 p.m.—Robert Handicap.—First Section.—Winner \$300. Second \$400. Third \$250. For Australian Ponies, "B" Class, Griffins: winners at Race Meetings of this Club barred. Jockey Allowance. Entrance \$5. Six Furlongs.

NOTE.—One Entry only will be made for the Robert Handicap (Races Nos. 5 and 7). Entries will be divided into First and Second Sections at the discretion of the Handicapper.

6-4.30 p.m.—Canton Handicap.—First Section.—Winner \$800. Second \$300. Third \$200. For China Ponies, "B" Class, Jockey Allowance. Entrance \$5. Six Furlongs.

NOTE.—One Entry only will be made for the Canton Handicap (Races Nos. 6 and 9). Entries will be divided into First and Second Sections at the discretion of the Handicapper.

7-5 p.m.—Hobart Handicap.—Second Section.—

(See Race No. 5)

8-5.30 p.m.—Fatsan Handicap.—Second Section.—To be ridden by

## JUNIOR CHESS CHAMPIONSHIP

Important Fixtures For Tonight

A. Y. Biriukoff and En Kwai-yung, who are jointly leading the Colony Junior Chess Championship with records of four points each from four games, meet tonight in what may well be the deciding match of the Tournament.

Another important Junior Tournament fixture for tonight is To Yu-lau v. A. Kurrik. In other games, V. V. Kolatchoff meets R. C. Gardner. The postponed game from Round 5 between R. C. Danenberg and A. C. Poupard will be played off tomorrow night.

Results of games played earlier this week were:—A. Y. Biriukoff beat W. Lee; R. C. Danenberg beat J. Taus, and E. M. Petrov beat with R. C. Danenberg. Biriukoff played the Scotch Gambit against Lee and early developed a superior position, but could not claim a win until after a game of 70 moves, lasting 3 1/2 hours.

## TOURNAMENT TABLE

	P.	W.	D.	L.	Pts.
En Kwai-yung	4	4	0	0	4
A. Y. Biriukoff	4	4	0	0	4
J. Grefalda	5	3	0	2	3
R. C. Danenberg	4	2	1	1	2 1/2
A. Kurrik	5	2	1	2	2 1/2
V. V. Kolatchoff	5	2	1	2	2 1/2
J. Taus	3	2	0	1	2
Wm. Lee	4	2	0	2	2
E. M. Petrov	3	1	1	1	1 1/2
To Yu-lau	1	0	0	1	0
R. C. Gardner	2	0	0	2	0
A. Morton	4	0	0	4	0
J. H. d'Almeida	4	0	0	4	0
A. C. Poupard	0	0	0	0	0
D. Drake	0	0	0	0	0

## NOMADS BEATEN

In a postponed fixture of the Hockey Tournament, Revere beat Nomads by four clear goals. B. T. Gosano scored in the first half, and R. Marques (1) and Gerry Gosano (2) scored in the second half, to bring the score to four.

## RUGBY OFF

As many of the members of Club "A" rugby team had to attend Volunteer parade yesterday, the match between the Club and Navy "A" was postponed.

Jockeys who have not won ten races anywhere at any time. No Whips or Spurs allowed.

(See Race No. 2)

9-8 p.m.—Canton Handicap.—Second Section.

(See Race No. 6)

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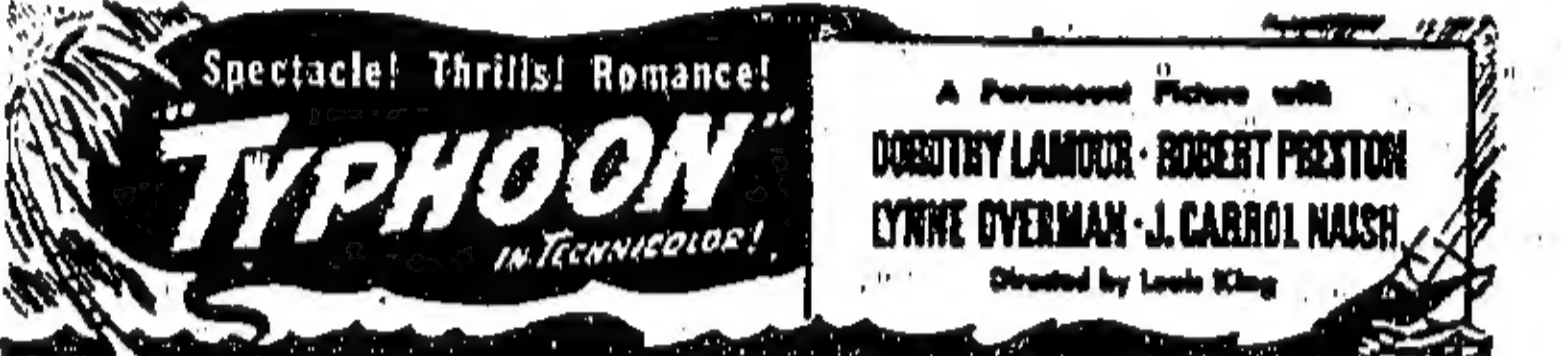
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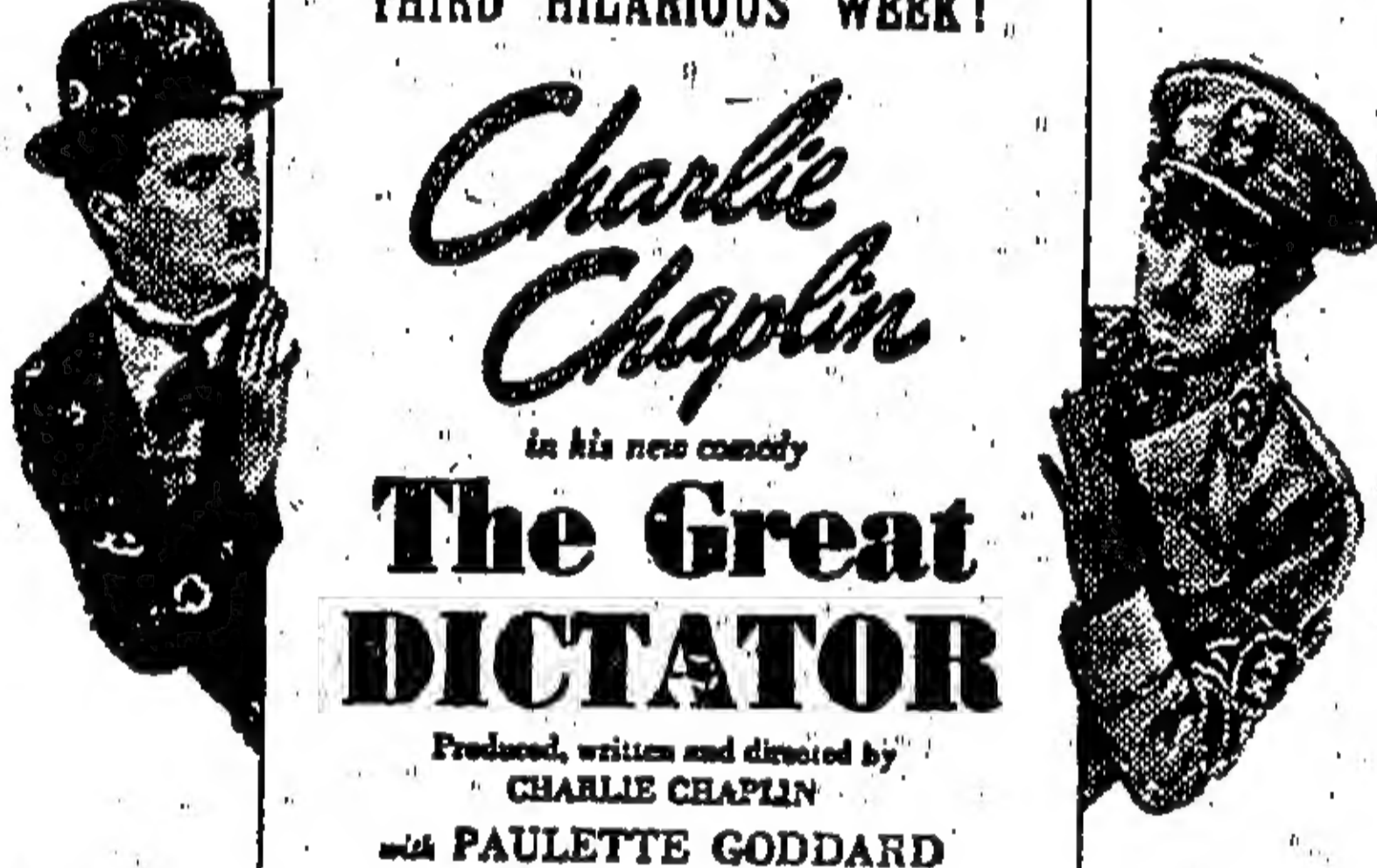
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## COMING EVENTS

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20—Tides: High 3.32 a.m. and 2.37 p.m. Low 7.18 a.m. and 10.18 p.m. Sunrise: 6.28 a.m.; Sunset 5.34 p.m. H.K. Electric Co. Ltd. Annual Meeting, 11 a.m. H.K. Rope Manufacturing Co. Ltd. Annual Meeting, 10 Des Voeux Rd. Central, 12 noon. H.K. Y's Men's Club Tiffin Meeting, 1 p.m. Cheero Club, Bridge and Mahjong. General Meeting of Science Society of H.K. University, Room "E", 8.30 p.m. Legislative Council Meeting, Council Chambers, 2 p.m. Crown Land Sale, Land Office, Ping Shan, 11.30 a.m. Sales of Poles, Jockey Club Paddock, 5.15 p.m. A.D.C. Production, "Sarah Simple", China Fleet Club Theatre, 9.15 p.m. Lecture: Volunteer Nursing Detachment, Military Hospital, 3 p.m. Victoria Chess Club, Gloucester Hotel, 5 p.m. Kowloon Chess Club, Peninsula Hotel, 5.30 p.m. St. Andrew's Club War Work (Medical), 10 a.m. Lecture: Chinese "Y", Kowloon. "Appreciation of Music", 7.30 p.m. 21—Tides: High 5.13 a.m. and 3.57 p.m. Low 8.07 a.m. and 11.44 p.m. Sunrise: 6.27 a.m.; Sunset 6.35 p.m. St. Andrew's Fellowship "Get Together", 8.45 p.m. St. Andrew's Club Annual Marathon Race, 5 p.m. Ladies' Working Party (W.O.P.), Govt. House, 9 a.m.—12 noon. Cheero Club, Darts & Table Tennis. Inter-School Sports, Caroline Hill. Crown Land Sale, D.O. South, 11 a.m. Y.M.C.A. Dance for Servicemen, 9 p.m. A.D.C. Production, "Sarah Simple", China Fleet Club Theatre 9.15 p.m. University Arts Assn. Pays for Schools, Variety Great Hall, 7.22 p.m. 22—Tides: High 6.57 a.m. and 5.22 p.m. Low 10.61 a.m. Sunrise: 6.26 a.m.; Sunset: 6.36 p.m. Claims against estate of John Robinson due. Taiipo Rural Home and Orphanage "At Home", New Territories, 3 to 6 p.m. 23—Tides: High 7.52 a.m. and 6.34 p.m. Low 12.44 a.m. and 11.43 p.m. Sunrise: 6.25 a.m.; Sunset: 6.36 p.m. National Day of Prayer. Panling Hunt and Race Club meet, Kwant, 2.45 p.m. Service at "Obel Leah" Synagogue, 11 a.m. 24—Tides: High 8.26 a.m. and 7.34 p.m. Low 1.27 a.m. and 12.54 p.m. Sunrise: 6.24 a.m.; Sunset: 6.35 p.m. St. Andrew's Fellowship of Youth Meeting, 6.15 p.m. Ladies' Working Party (W.O.P.), Govt. House, 9 a.m.—12 noon. Entries Close for Second Extra Meeting of H.K. Jockey Club, 5 p.m. Crown Land Sale, P.W.D. Office, 3 p.m. 25—Tides: High 8.56 a.m. and 8.21 p.m. Low 2.04 a.m. and 1.47 p.m. Sunrise: 6.23 a.m.; Sunset: 6.36 p.m. H.K. Rotary Club Tiffin Meeting, 1 p.m. Philippine Club Annual Meeting, King's Park, 5.45 p.m. H.K. Union Church Annual Meeting, Kennedy Road, 5.30 p.m. 26—Tides: High 9.21 a.m. and 9.08 p.m. Low 2.25 a.m. and 2.27 p.m. Sunrise: 6.22 a.m.; Sunset 6.37 a.m. Group Discussion at St. Andrew's Church—"Is There an After Life", 8.30 p.m. Annual Meeting of H.K. and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., 7.45 (Jardine, Matheson & Co. Office) noon. Annual Meeting of K.T.G.C.A., Club House, Waterloo Road, 6 p.m. 27—Tides: 9.47 a.m. and 9.47 p.m. Low 3.04 a.m. and 3.09 p.m. Sunrise: 6.21 a.m.; Sunset 6.37 p.m. Entries Close for April Meeting Macao Jockey Club.

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12.30 A Swing Programme.

Snow Boat Shuntle: Echoes of Har-um-Duke Ellington and His Orchestra Lay Your Racket—Sunny Beach and His New Orleans Feet-Warmers with Vocal Refrain. Swinging "Bn Down"—Freddie Jenkins' Harlem Seven. Vocal: Star Dust—Coleman Hawkins (Saxophone), Django Reinhardt (Guitar) and Stephanie Grappelly (Piano). Sweet Potato Piper (Film "The Road to Singapore"); Blue Ribbon Rag—Arthur Young & Hatchett's Swingette featuring Stephanie Grappelly. Tutti Frutti; Jam On Toast—Gene Krupa and His Orchestra.

1.00 Local Time Signal.

1.01 Variety with Len Bermon.

Francis Faye and The Mills Brothers. Vocal—You're Not The King (Hudson Mills)—Francis Faye with Drums, Guitar and Bass acc. Vocal — Mr. Paganini (Lambert, Richards) — The Mills Brothers (Four Boys & a Guitar). Vocal—No Regrets (Tobias, Graham)—Francis Faye with Drums, Guitar and Bass acc. Organ — Hit Parade No. 3 — Intro: Goodnight, Angel; My heaven on earth; Have you ever been in Heaven — Reginald Foort. Vocal—It's No Fun (Newman and Others) — Len Bermon w. Orch. Organ—Hit Parade No. 3—Intro: Why talk about love; Serenade to the stars; So long, sweetheart—Reginald Foort. Vocal—Blazin' The Trail (Powell and Others) — Len Bermon w. Orchestra. Vocal — My Headache (Razak Johnson) — Miss Otis Regrets (from "Hi Diddle Diddle") — The Mills Brothers (Four Boys and a Guitar).

1.30 Reuter and Rugby Press, and Announcements.

1.45 A Light Russian Programme.

His Dreamy Waltz (arr. Schwartz); Waltz of the Lost Love (arr. Schwartz)—Russian Novelty Orchestra. On the Volga River—Russian Choir. Waltzes—Love of a Gypsy (Schwartz); Greetings of Spring (Schwartz)—Russian Novelty Orchestra. Placi t'gan, Romants; 11 edes pianola. Romants — Russian singers. Spring Waltz (arr. Schwartz); Waltz Nanette (arr. Schwartz)—Russian Novelty Orchestra.

2.15 Close down.

4.45 Indian Programme.

6.30 Closing Local Stock Quotations.

6.32 Variety.

Comedienne — Pass, Shoot, Goal! (Damerall and Others)—Grace Fields with Orchestra. Banjos—Banjo Favorites—Intro: Stein Song; Valencia; Joy Drum Major—Raymonde & His Band O' Banjos. Vocal—Burlesque—Sonny Boy—Jerry Colonna with Fud and His Fuddy Bears. Mandolines — Spanish Gypsy Medley—Intro: Argentina; Barcelona; Lady of Spain—The Romany Mandoline Players. Comedian—A Bird in A Gilded Cage — A Vocal Burlesque—Jerry Colonna with Fud and His Fuddy Bears. Piano — Medley—Intro: Chasing Shadows; One night of love; I'll never say "never again" again—Len Green with Drums. Vocal—Everyone Must Have A Sweetheart (Noel and Others)—Elsie Carlisle with Orchestra. Piano—Medley —Intro: We were so young; Paris in the Spring; Fare thee well, Annabelle —Len Green with Drums. Vocal — Proud of You (David)—Elsie Carlisle with Orchestra.

7.00 London Relay—The News.

7.15 London Relay — "Meet Uncle Sam".

Edwin Murrow interviews Alstair Cook.

7.30 Hawaiian Selections.

Hawaiian Music—Monday, Hawaiian Love—Kauai, Hawaii, Waikiki—On-Quita—Paua and Pailua (Hawaiian Guitars). Samoa Love Song — Hawaiian Novelty (Him Taboo); Love Song of Tahiti — Hawaiian Novelty (Him Mutiny on the Bounty)—Andy Iona and His Islanders with Vocal Chorus. Smiling Eyes (Nawahi) — King Nawahi's Hawaiians. Valse Bleue (Margis)—Oino Bordin and His Hawaiians. Hawaiian Love Bird (Raza)—King Nawahi's Hawaiians. Kohala March, Honolulu March — Frank Perera and John Pailua (Hawaiian Guitars).

8.00 Local Time Signal and Announcements.

8.02 Detikson (Tenor) and Brown (Piano).

The Little Dutch Mill (Fred and Harris). Over Somebody Else's Shoulder (Sherman and Lewis). A Letter To My Mother (Gilbert and Niele). A Boy and a Girl Were Dancing (Gordon and Revel).

8.15 Studio—Local Newsletter.

8.30 Military Band Concert with Dennis Noble (Baritone).

The British Grenadiers (Trad.) — Dennis Noble and Male Chorus with The Band of H.M. Coldstream Guards.

The Calsons Go Rolling Along (U.S. Field Artillery March)—The American Legion Band. The Empire is Marching (Grey-Glass)—Dennis Noble and Male Chorus with The Band of H.M. Coldstream Guards. National Emblem—March—The American Legion Band. The Trumpeter (Barron-Dix)—Dennis Noble with Piano acc. Hungarian Fantasy (Pigedy) — Band of The Royal Hungarian "Maria Theresa" Regiment. Song of Liberty (Pomp and Circumstance March, No. 4—A.P. Herbert-Edward Egari)—Dennis Noble and Male Chorus with The Band of H.M. Coldstream Guards and Organ.

Post Horn Galop (Koenig) — The Royal Artillery Band (Woolwich).

9.00 London Relay—The News.

9.15 London Relay — "Questions of the Hour".

9.30 Compositions of Eric Coates.

Summertime Suite—Fresh Morning (Pastorale) — Noonday Song (Romance) — Dance in the Twilight (Valse)—Light Symphony Orchestra conducted by Eric Coates. The Fairy Tales of Ireland—Elsie Ackland (Contralto) w. Orchestra. Saxo-Rhapsody —Sigmund Rascher (Saxophone) with Symphony Orchestra cond. by Eric Coates. A House Love Made for You and Me—Hubert Elsdell (Tenor) with Cello, Oboe and Piano.

9.45 News in French (on Short Wave only).

10.00 London Relay — "To Talk of Many Things".

10.15 Piano Interlude.

List—Hungarian Rhapsody No. 11 —Marcel Clampl.

10.20 Vincent Wallace's Opera "Martana".

Characters and Soloists in order of appearance: Martana — Miriam Lette (Soprano); Don Jose De Santarem — Dennis Noble (Baritone); Lazarillo—Clara Serena (Contralto); Don Caesar de Bezan—Heddie Nash (Tenor) and Grand Opera Company with Orchestra.

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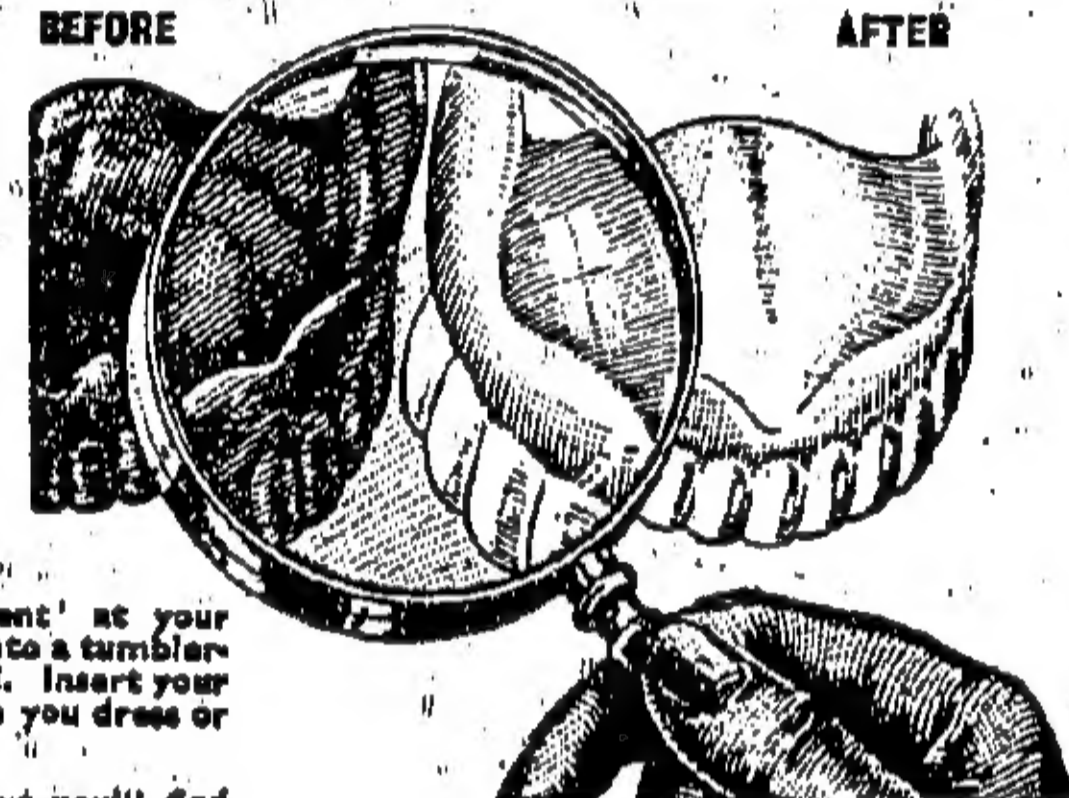
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## IMPORTANT DECISIONS REACHED AT EXECUTIVE YUAN MEETING

CHUNGKING, Mar. 19 (Central) — Several important decisions were reached at yesterday's meeting of the Executive Yuan, at which reports on military affairs and foreign relations were made by the War Minister General Ho Ying-chin and the Foreign Minister Dr. Wang Chung-hui respectively.

Upon the joint petition of the Ministries of Interior, Finance, Economic Affairs and Agriculture and Forestry, the meeting approved the provisional measures relating to the collection of land tax in agricultural products.

A proposal submitted by the National Health Administration for the readjustment of the health administration and organisation in Sikong Province was adopted.

The meeting decided upon the appointment of Mr. Peng Jo-Kang as a member of the Honan Provincial Government and concurrently Commissioner of Finance in succession to Mr. Tsao Chung-chin, who was appointed Assistant Director of the National Food Control Bureau. Mr. Ho Feng-heng, the incumbent Assistant Director of the Bureau, was transferred to another post.

At the instance of the Ministry of Education, the meeting decided to petition the National Government to issue a mandate commending the services of Mr. Lai Tsi-tang, late Commissioner of Education of the Provincial Government.

## British Apologies To Yugoslavia

BELGRADE, Mar. 19 (Reuter) — The British Government has expressed regret for the incident which occurred on the night of Dec. 21, when bombs fell on the Yugoslav frontier town of Souchak, says an official statement issued here yesterday.

The British Government expressed "their deep regret to the Yugoslav Government for this involuntary incident, stating that they were ready to pay just compensation for the damage to persons and property."

## VITAL SUBJECT OF INVASION

### UNITY OF PEOPLE REITERATED

LONDON, March 19 (Reuter) — The unity and determination of the British people to stand firm and carry on to win the war was the theme of a broadcast speech by Mr. Herbert Morrison, the Home Security Minister, yesterday.

He was urging the people to read and study carefully the leaflet just issued by his Ministry informing them what to do in case of invasion.

Invasion, said Mr. Morrison, was a vital subject for though the blaze of war might leap from Europe to Africa or Asia, there could be no real Nazi victory unless it won here—in and around this island.

**COMPLETE CONFIDENCE**  
"I am giving away no secret," Mr. Morrison went on, "if I tell you that your government's military chiefs have made plans in the defence of Britain on a basis of complete confidence that you will not let them down."

He emphasised the necessity of carrying on the country's work to the utmost capacity and concluded with the exhortation, "Stand firm. Carry on. Beat the invader."

## WILHELMSHAVEN AGAIN BOMBED

### Numerous Explosions Observed In Docks

LONDON, Mar. 19 (Reuter) — Numerous explosions and fires were observed in the dock and industrial areas of Bremen and Wilhelmshaven, which were bombed by aircraft of the Bomber Command on Monday night.

The Air Ministry also states that a large fire was started in the petrol storage tanks at Rotterdam while single aircraft attacked Emden and Oldenburg.

One enemy night fighter was shot down in flames during these operations.

Off the Frisian Island, an aircraft of the Coastal Command torpedoed and sank a large supply vessel.

None of the British aircraft is missing from all these operations.

## NEWS FROM AUSTRALIA

### BELGIANS CALLED UP

Belgians of military age living in Australia are being called up for a medical examination by the Belgian Consul-General in Australia, states a message from Sydney.

If they pass the examination, they will be sent to England for service in the Belgian Army there. Another message from Sydney stated that 23 young men from Fiji have been selected for training in the Royal Air Force.

Mr. R. G. Manzie, the Australian Prime Minister, who is now in England, paid particular attention to aircraft production when he visited Manchester yesterday. He spent some time with the directors of the Rolls Royce Company—(Special)

## "GLAMOUR BOYS" OF R.A.F.

### American War Pilots In Britain

LONDON, Mar. 19 (Reuter) — Pilots who are anxious to debunk the quip that they are the "glamour boys" of the R.A.F. and whose one desire is to make their squadron one of which Britain and America will be proud, form the personnel of the American Eagle Squadron I visited yesterday, writes Reuter's Air correspondent at an R.A.F. Fighter Station.

No Nazi plane came their way while I was there. The enemy no longer takes up all their time over Britain and the squadron have yet to bring down their first victim as a squadron.

Recruits are coming in fast enough to form a second Eagle Squadron; they are now completing operational training in England.

The squadron's tale of impatient longing to get at the enemy is the new cry of many hundreds of veteran British and Allied fighter pilots, whose ranks these young Americans have joined.

The Hurricanes with which they are equipped will help the American Eagles play their part in the operations which will no longer be confined to metropolitan defence, for the enemy must now be sought more often far out to sea and quite often beyond the continental coastline.

The squadron will operate exactly the same way as other fighter squadrons of the R.A.F. and great things are expected of this very shy but determined band of America's first war pilots.

## MERCHANT CREW RESCUED

### SHIP TORPEDOED BY U-BOAT

LONDON, Mar. 19 (Reuter) — A Free French destroyer, operating in British waters, recently rescued the crew of a British merchant steamer torpedoed by a German submarine.

A communique issued last night by the Free French Headquarters in London states that the Captain and crew of the British ship praised their French comrades and stressed that they displayed magnificent courage during the rescue operations and offered the most generous hospitality aboard the French warship.

## GREEK PATROL ACTIVITY

LONDON, Mar. 19 (Reuter) — The crushing defeat sustained by the Italians when their seven-day offensive on the Albanian front was hurled back has forced them into inactivity, according to the Greek radio.

The only activity was by Greek patrols. It is not at all certain that re-organisation will permit the enemy to risk another offensive.

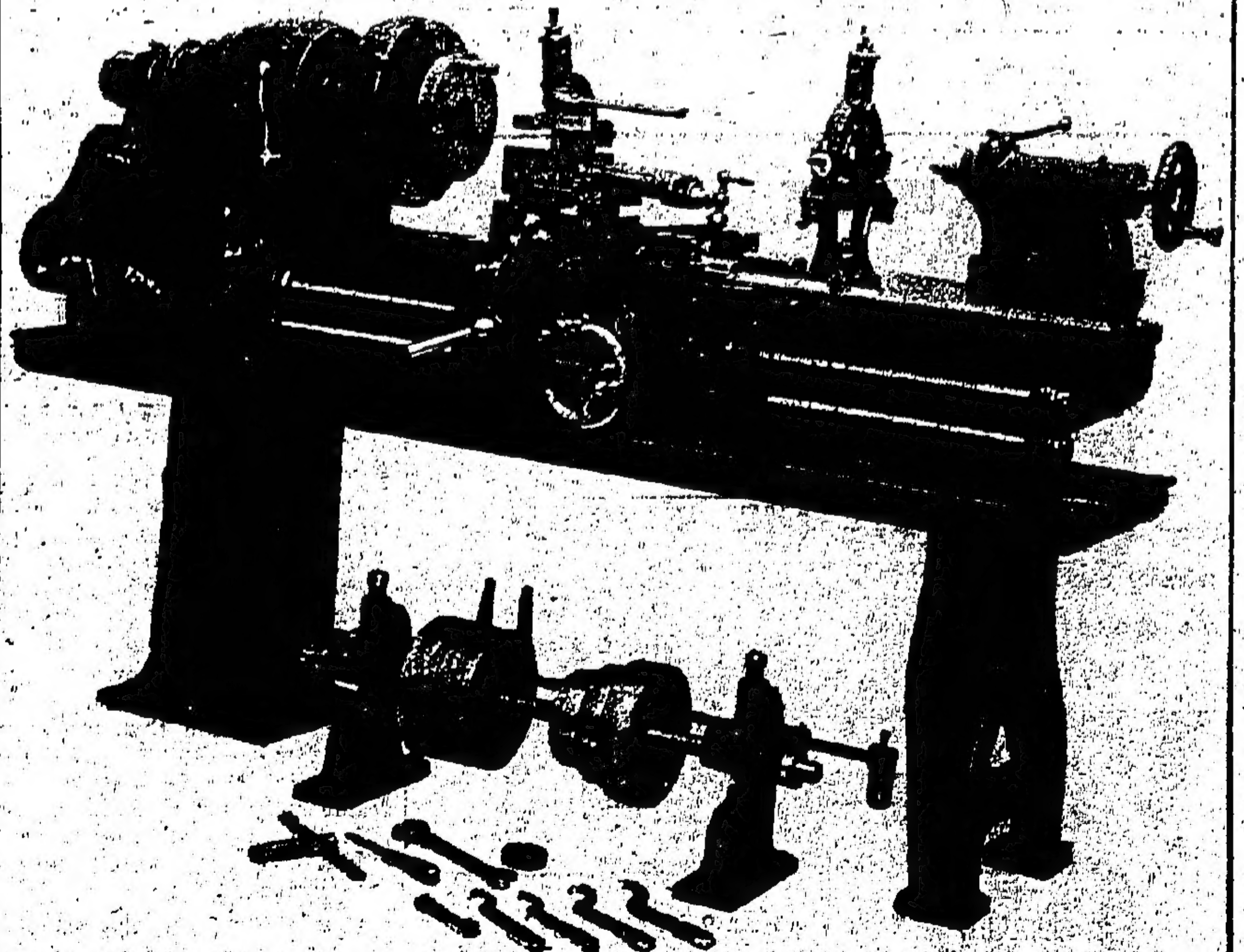
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## REALTY MEETING

DROP IN REVENUE AT  
REPULSE BAY "LIDO"

A DECREASE OF \$20,000 IN THE PROFITS FOR 1940, as compared to 1939, due to the drop in revenue at the Repulse Bay "Lido" and rental receipts from the adjacent bungalows as the result of the evacuation, was reported by the Chairman at the annual meeting of the Hongkong Realty and Trust Co., Ltd., held at Exchange Building yesterday.

Mr. E. M. Raymond was in the Chair and was supported by Hon. Mr. T. E. Pearce, Mr. P. K. Kwok (Directors), Mr. P. H. Suckling (Managing Director), Mr. F. C. Barry (Secretary), and Messrs. C. C. Blake, I. Jack, J. E. Kotwall, and A. E. Eca, shareholders.

## CHAIRMAN'S SPEECH

In presenting his report, the Chairman said:

The profit for the year under review amounted to \$62,473.74, which added to the amount of \$29,246.33 brought forward from the preceding year, makes the sum of \$91,720.07 available for appropriation; the recommendation of your Board in this connection is to pay a dividend of thirty cents per share involving \$60,000, and to carry forward the remaining balance of \$31,720.07 to the 1941 account. The profit for the year 1940 of \$62,473.74 shows a decrease of approximately \$20,000 compared with the profit realised in 1939, which is accounted for by Dividends on Investments showing a decline of some \$7,700, and a debit balance of Working Account of \$2,179.91 compared to a credit balance of \$13,359.72 in the preceding year.

The debit balance referred to reflects the comparative drop in revenue at the Repulse Bay "Lido" and rental receipts from the Company's adjacent bungalows; earnings in respect of both these departments were well maintained up to the time of the evacuation measures undertaken in July of the past year, after which patronage dwindled and several of the bungalows became vacant, full occupancy having recently been reached only as a result of rental reductions being effected.

The Balance Sheet records capital additions to the "Lido" Building, Furniture, Fixtures, and Plant and Machinery during the year under review, the major portion of this expenditure having been incurred in connection with the Restaurant; the installation of air conditioning units therein provided a much appreciated amenity to its patrons. No particular comment appears to be necessary on other items in the Balance Sheet.

## MR. TAGGART EUGOLISED

It is with regret I have to report the resignation of Mr. J. H. Taggart from the Board of Directors of this Company. Mr. Taggart

sponsored the Company's promotion and had been its Managing Director for the 18 years since its inception; only continued ill health rendered his resignation necessary, and on behalf of this Board, with whom I feel sure Shareholders will also desire to be associated, I take this opportunity of publicly expressing warmest thanks to him for the valuable and essential services he at all times rendered the Company and also to convey heartfelt wishes for his speedy return to good health.

There being no further matters which appear to call for explanation, I now formally propose that the Report of the Directors and the Accounts for the financial year ended Dec. 31, as presented, be adopted, and that from the balance of \$91,720.07 standing to the credit of Profit and Loss Account at that date a dividend of thirty cents per share on 200,000 Shares be paid, and the then remaining balance of \$31,720.07 be carried forward to the Account for the year 1941.

## DIRECTORS RE-ELECTED

Mr. C. C. Blake seconded the Report, and asked whether the "Lido" was still losing money and what the losses were. The Chairman replied that it has been usual for the "Lido" to lose in the winter. As to the losses, the figures would be divulged after the meeting.

On the proposal of Mr. L. Jack, and seconded by Mr. J. E. Kotwall, Hon. Sir Shouson Chow and Mr. P. K. Kwok were re-elected to the Board of Directors. Mr. Jack also proposed that the appointment of Mr. P. H. Suckling as Managing Director, in succession to Mr. J. H. Taggart, be confirmed. Mr. Kotwall seconded, and the proposal was carried unanimously.

The re-election of Messrs. Linstead and Davis as Auditors was proposed by Mr. A. E. Eca and seconded by Mr. C. C. Blake.

At the conclusion of the meeting, the Chairman announced that Dividend Warrants are now ready and may be obtained on application at the Secretary's Office.

## TAIPO RURAL HOME AND ORPHANAGE

The Taiipo Rural Home and Orphanage will hold their annual "At Home" on Saturday, March 22, from 3 to 6 p.m.

The children will demonstrate their various activities in the gardens, classrooms and playgrounds and there will also be a display and sale of agricultural produce, basketry and needlework, etc.

Tea will be served from 4 to 5.30 p.m.

There will be a Hongkong Hotel bus leaving the Star Ferry Pier (near wharf entrance) at intervals of 15 minutes from 2.30 to 3 p.m., and will return from Taiipo 5.30 to 6 p.m. Tickets, \$1.00 per return trip. Bookings at Peninsula and Hongkong Hotels.

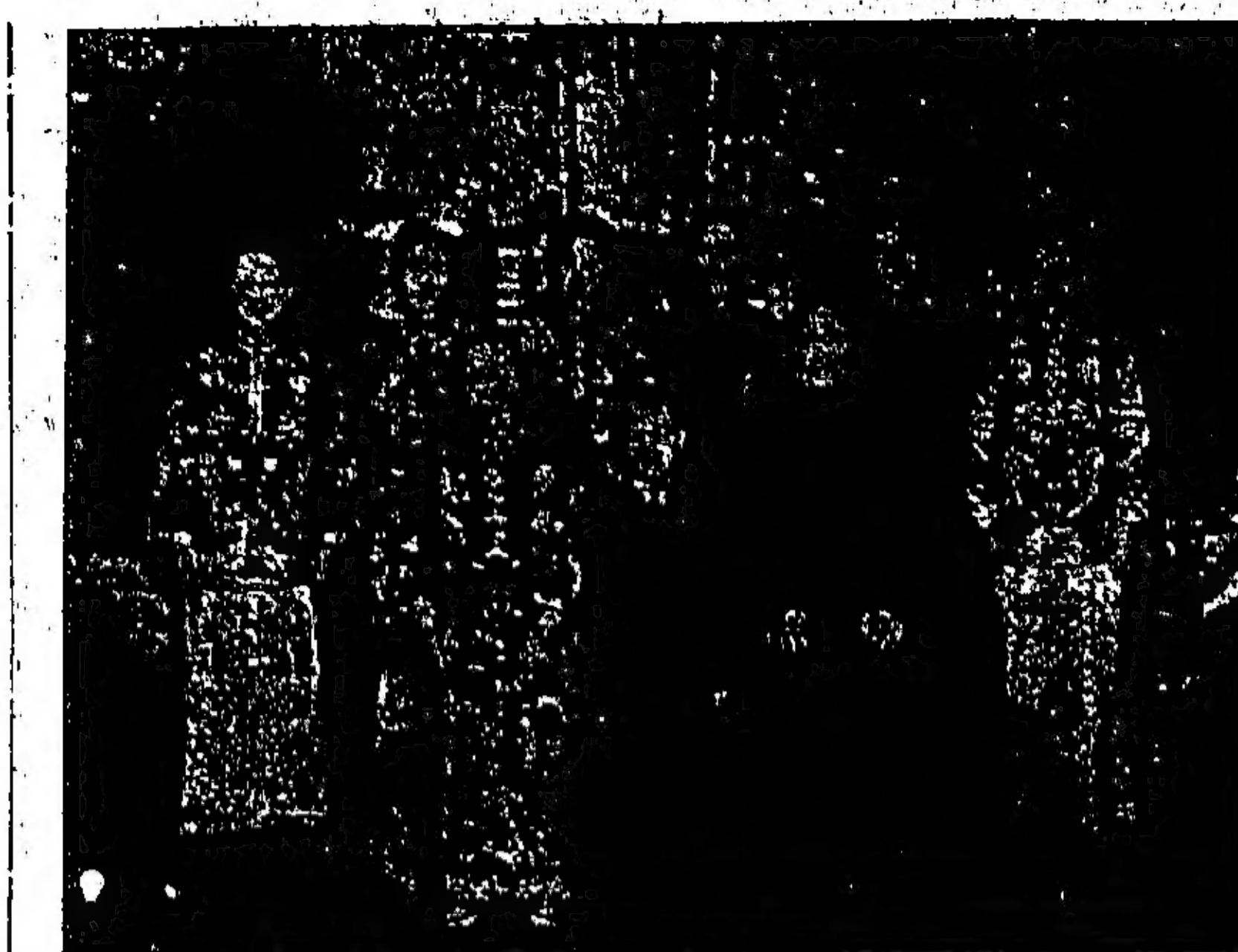
## ROTARY FLAG DAY

Many more members of the Auxiliary Nursing Service are wanted to sell flags for the Rotary Club on Saturday, Mar. 28, in aid of Mobile Canteen Ambulances for Air Raid Victims in Great Britain, and the British War Effort for Relief of Distress in China. Uniform need not be worn. Please send in names to Mrs. N. Valentine, Hon. Sec. A. N. S. Queen Mary Hospital.

Legislative Council  
Meeting Today

At the Legislative Council meeting to be held today the Attorney General will move the First reading of—

"A Bill to amend further the Estate Duty Ordinance, 1932, as amended by the Estate Duty Amendment Ordinance, 1938"



Group photograph taken at the wedding between Mr. Wong Shu-chuen, son of Principal Chinese Detective Wong Lan, of the Hongkong Police, and Miss Yau.—(Sun Ying Ming Studio).

SMALL PROFIT REALISED BY  
VIBRO PILING CO., LTD.

APPRECIATION OF THE DIRECTORS' DECISION TO WAIVE THEIR FEES FOR THE YEAR UNDER REVIEW was expressed by the Hon. Mr. Leo D'Almada e Castro, Jr., at the annual meeting of the Vibro Piling Co. Ltd., held at its registered offices yesterday.

Mr. D'Almada, however, moved that as work had been done on behalf of the shareholders they should see to it that the Board of Directors was paid for its services. This proposal was seconded by Mr. Blackmore and carried unanimously.

Mr. S. M. Churn was in the Chair, and among those present were Hon. Sir Robert Kotwall, Mr. J. J. Basto (Directors), F. E. D'Almada Remedios (Secretary), Hon. Mr. Leo D'Almada e Castro, Jr., C. H. Basto, E. W. Blackmore, Lo Pang-tin, and Lam Shu-chuen (shareholders).

## CHAIRMAN'S SPEECH

The Chairman said:—  
If you will look at the Profit & Loss Account, you will observe that after making provision for all charges, including War Tax, the

profit for the year amounts to \$11,410.00. You will also observe, however, that in this year's account no charge has been made for Directors' fees, which according to the Articles should be a sum equal to 10% of the profit for the year. The reason for this, Gentlemen, is that as we have written off from General Reserve the sum of \$18,849.43 being Deferred and other Charges in connexion with the Manila Agency which was terminated last year, your Board has, subject to what shareholders may think waived the right to any fees in respect of the year, a gesture which, I sincerely hope, shareholders will appreciate.

Found Unfit  
To Plead On  
Murder Count

Arraigned before the Chief Justice, Sir Atholl MacGregor, at the Criminal Sessions yesterday on the charge of murder of his three-month-old son, Lo Wai-tsun, whom he was alleged to have thrown out of the window of No. 76, Marble Road, third floor, on Dec. 5 last, LO KING-YU, alias Lo Yick, 32, was found to be insane and not fit to stand trial.

Mr. H. W. Lee, instructed by Mr. K. L. Kwan for the defence raised the question of accused's fitness to plead.

Mr. J. P. Murphy, Assistant Crown Solicitor, appeared for the prosecution.  
The following jury was empanelled:—Messrs. H. H. Scott (Foreman), Chan Hung-cho, Tang Chan-pp, Kwok-choi, R. M. Roberts, J. A. V. Ribeiro, Jr., and W. A. Sprinkle.

## MEDICAL EVIDENCE

Dr. C. W. Lam, medical officer in charge of the Mental Hospital, said that he found accused to be suffering from confusional insanity.

His Lordship: What is confusional insanity?  
Dr. Lam: It is a state of mind where, during certain periods, the accused is quite lucid, and at other periods he behaves in a foolish way and acts like a child.

Dr. G. H. Thomas, of the Mental Hospital, said that after he had accused under observation totalling six odd weeks, he came to the same conclusion as Dr. Lam.

Summing up, his Lordship said that accused was charged with murder a month ago, but in view of what his mental condition appeared to be, he was sent to the Mental Hospital for observation.

The question was whether accused was able to plead to the indictment, to listen intelligently to the evidence against him, to appreciate points made against him and to instruct his solicitor and Counsel. If the jury was satisfied that the accused was not, then they must find him unfit to plead and accused would be detained in the Mental Hospital until such time as it was thought that he had recovered when he would be called upon to face the indictment.

Without retiring the jury returned a unanimous verdict of Insane.

## JUROR LATE

Mr. Robert Murray, who failed to answer his name when called to serve on the jury, appeared at the end of the case and was asked by His Lordship the reason for his failure to turn up. His explanation was accepted.

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Refugees In  
The Colony

An increase of 46 in the number of refugees and destitutes accommodated in Government camps, etc., in urban and rural areas is recorded in the returns for the week ending on Mar. 15.

Urban Areas:  
King's Park—1,311 against 1,307 on Mar. 8.  
Ma Tau Chung—1,665 against 1,560 on Mar. 8.  
North Point—1,531 against 1,493 on Mar. 8.  
Morrison Hill—519 against 529 on Mar. 8.  
Urban Area (Squatters' Camps):  
Tai Hang—2,557 against 2,557 on Mar. 8.  
Ngau Tau Kok—804 against 805 on Mar. 8.  
Rural Areas:  
Kam Tin 1,767 against 1,557 on Mar. 8.  
Fanning Children's Camp—319 against 317 on Mar. 8.  
Total—10,473 against 10,427 on Mar. 8.

## HEALTH BULLETIN

The following is the Return of notifiable diseases notified as having occurred in the Colony during the 24 hours ended at midnight on Mar. 18:—Cholera, 78 cases (only 11 of these cases actually occurred during the 24 hours ended at midnight on 18/3/41). The other cases occurred over a period of several days, notifications being withheld pending B. I. confirmation). Diphtheria, two cases; Dysentery 14 cases; Enteric Fever, two cases; Measles, one case; Tuberculosis, 53 cases.

## POLICE REPORTS

Mr. W. J. Fulker, of No. 8, Carnarvon Building, reports that some one entered his residence through an open window between 10 a.m. on March 17 and 6 p.m. on March 18 and stole a gold watch, valued at \$50, and \$17 in money.

Mr. A.M. Braga, property superintendent of the Hongkong Engineering and Construction Company, Ltd., reports that between 8.15 a.m. and 12.30 p.m. on Tuesday, his car No. 1081 was stolen from outside St. Stephen's College, Stanley.

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## NEW ADVERTISEMENTS

CHINESE ESTATES,  
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YEARLY MEETING

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the EIGHTEENTH ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS will be held at the Company's Office at China Buildings, 5th floor, Hong Kong, on Thursday, the 3rd April, 1941, at 12 o'clock noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors and a Statement of Account for the year ending the 28th February, 1941, and of electing three Directors and an Auditor.

The TRANSFER BOOK of the Company will be CLOSED from the 28th March to the 3rd April, 1941, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,  
FUNG PING FAN,  
Director & Secretary.  
Hong Kong, 18th March, 1941.

CHINA LIGHT & POWER  
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## NOTICE TO CONSUMERS.

Notice is hereby given that the Company's standard charges will be increased as from 17th March, 1941, by adding a 10% surcharge to the amounts charged for electricity consumed for lighting and power as per meters read on and after 24th April, 1941.

The existing scale of discounts will remain in force.

By order of the Board of Directors,  
D. W. MUNTON,  
Manager.  
Hong Kong, 8th March, 1941.

## PUBLIC AUCTION.

PARTICULARS AND CONDITIONS of the Sale by Public Auction to be held on Monday, the 24th day of March, 1941, at 3 p.m., at the Offices of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Governor of one Lot of Crown Land at Tai Kok Tsui, in the Colony of Hong Kong for a term of 75 years, with the option of renewal at a Crown Rent to be fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty the KING, for one further term of 75 years.

Intending bidders are advised that immediately after the disposal of the lot the Purchaser (if not the applicant) will be required to deposit with an authorised officer who will be present at the sale, the sum of two hundred dollars, (\$200) in cash. This sum will be refunded on payment of the Purchase price.

## PARTICULARS OF THE LOT

No. of Sale	Registry No.	Locality	Boundary Measurements	Containing in Square feet	Annual Rental	Upset Price
1	No. 4303	Adjoining Kowloon Inland Lot No. 2441, Lanch Street, Tai Kok Tsui	ft. s. e. w. ft. ft. ft. ft.	168	10/3/38	8
		As per sale plan.				

The purchaser of the lot will be required to pay to the auctioneer in cash the sum of \$1,823 (being 10% of the upset price) immediately after the fall of the hammer, the balance of the premium being paid in accordance with the Conditions of Sale.

## NEW ADVERTISEMENTS

## HONG KONG CLUB.

## NOTICE.

The Ninety Seventh Yearly General Meeting of the Members of the Hong Kong Club will be held in the Club House on Thursday, March 27, 1941 at 5.30 p.m.

By Order of the Committee,  
C. TRENCHARD DAVIS,  
Secretary.  
Hong Kong, March 20, 1941.

THE HONGKONG ELECTRIC  
CO., LTD.

Notice is hereby given that the Fifty-second Ordinary Yearly Meeting will be held at the Company's Registered Office, 4th Floor, P. & O. Building on Thursday, 20th March, 1941 at 11 a.m. for the purpose of presenting the Report of the Directors together with a Statement of Accounts to 31st December, 1940 and electing Directors and Auditors.

The Register of Members of the Company will be closed from 8th March to 20th March, 1941 both days inclusive, during which period no transfer of shares can be registered.

By order of the Board of Directors,  
GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO., LTD.  
Agents.  
Hong Kong, 21st February, 1941.

THE HONGKONG LAND  
INVESTMENT & AGENCY  
CO., LTD.

## 4% DEBENTURES

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that INTEREST for the six months ending 31st MARCH, 1941, on the above DEBENTURES will be payable at the OFFICES of the COMPANY on that date.

THE REGISTER OF DEBENTURES will be closed from TUESDAY, 25th MARCH, 1941, to MONDAY, 31st MARCH, 1941, both days inclusive, during which period no transfer of DEBENTURES can be registered.

By Order of the Board of Directors,  
O. EAGER,  
Secretary.  
Hong Kong, 18th March, 1941.

THE HONGKONG &  
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## Notice to Shareholders

THE FIFTY-FOURTH ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS will be held at the Office of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd. on WEDNESDAY, the 26th MARCH, 1941, at NOON, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors and the Statement of Accounts for the year ended 31st DECEMBER, 1941.

The Transfer Books of the Company will be CLOSED from SATURDAY, the 15th MARCH, 1941, to WEDNESDAY, the 26th MARCH, 1941, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,  
C. M. MANNERS,  
Secretary & Manager.  
Hong Kong, 7th March, 1941.

## NEW ADVERTISEMENTS

## NOTICE.

The Hong Kong & China Gas Co., Ltd. hereby give notice that, due to increased coal costs, Gas charges will be revised as from the March meter readings by an increase of 50 cents per 1000 cu. ft. and a reduction in present discount rates.

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THE HONGKONG ELECTRIC  
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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that an Extraordinary General Meeting of the Company will be held in the P. & O. Building, Victoria, in the Colony of Hong Kong at 11.15 o'clock in the forenoon on Thursday, the 20th day of March, 1941, or as soon thereafter as the Ordinary General Meeting of the Company shall have terminated for the purpose of considering and, if thought fit, passing the following resolutions:—

"1. That the Directors be and they are hereby authorised to capitalise the sum of \$3,000,000 Hongkong currency, part of the undivided profits of the Company standing to the credit of the Company's Reserve Fund, and to allot to the members holding shares of the Company as on the first day of April One thousand nine hundred and forty-one in respect of the net amount capitalised fully paid shares of the Company of equivalent nominal value in the proportion of one share for every three shares of the Company held by them respectively and that such shares so allotted shall rank for dividends as from the 1st day of July, 1941.

2. That if on such distribution as aforesaid any person would be entitled to a fractional share the Directors shall, in lieu of issuing fractional certificates, cause the whole share to be allotted to a person or persons to be named by the Directors and such share shall, at such time as the Directors think fit, be sold and the proceeds distributed amongst the persons entitled to the fractions making up such share."

By order of the Board of Directors,  
GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO., LTD.,  
Agents.  
Hong Kong, 21st February, 1941.

## NOTE.—

Under the powers conferred upon them by Article 12 of the Articles of Association of the Company, the Directors have decided to offer to Shareholders on the Register on the 1st day of April 1941, one share at par for every complete three shares held by them (excluding the Bonus Shares to be offered to them under the preceding resolution) upon the terms that payment for such shares shall be made to the Company's Bankers, The Hongkong & Shanghai Banking Corporation, Hong Kong on or before the 30th September 1941 and that Shareholders be given power to renounce their rights under such offer and that no rights attach to any fractions. The shares taken up under the above offer shall rank for dividends as from 1st day of July 1941. Formal letters of offer, acceptance and renunciation will be sent to Shareholders as soon as possible after April 1st next.

## NEW ADVERTISEMENTS

IN THE SUPREME  
COURT OF  
HONG KONG.

## PROBATE JURISDICTION.

IN THE GOODS of Thomas Edward Griffith late of Marmoch Lodge in the Parish of Rothiemay and County of Banff, Scotland, deceased.

NOTICE is hereby given that the Court has, by virtue of the provisions of Section 58 of Ordinance No. 2 of 1897, made an order limiting the time for creditors to send in their claims against the above estate to the 31st day of March 1941.

All creditors and others are accordingly hereby required to send their claims to the undersigned on or before that date.

Dated the 11th day of March 1941.

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BLOCKADE & FOOD  
SUPPLIES

THE CONTROVERSY over the question of permitting a relaxation of the British blockade to enable food supplies to reach unoccupied France appears to have been ended by the statement made in Washington by Lord Halifax, British Ambassador to the United States, that certain quantities of grain might now be shipped to French territory outside Nazi control, on condition that the American Red Cross makes certain that these shipments will not help Germany either directly or indirectly. If this report is correct, Britain is admittedly taking a serious risk in withdrawing from her previous unqualified stand that any such help could not be permitted as long as the Vichy Government were unable to prevent the Germans from laying their hands on it. The ground for this argument was a sound one. It was based on the suggestion that if Germany had not looted the food supplies in unoccupied France, there would have been no necessity for depending on assistance from abroad.

THE POSITION, however, is that most of France's foodstuffs come from the areas now under Nazi occupation and it seems impossible to expect them to be swayed by any humanitarian principles. Certainly, the men at Vichy appear to be in no position to demand it and the Germans have been quick to take advantage of the situation, with the help of Admiral Darlan, to try and jockey Britain into making a decision. A refusal to lift the British blockade to even a point might have antagonised the French people in unoccupied France as well against the British. Indeed, Admiral Darlan made this a point when he made what really amounted to a threat against Britain in trying to

"SARAH SIMPLE"  
SUCCESS

"SARAH SIMPLE," presented by the Hongkong A.D.C. players at the China Fleet Club Theatre last night, was accorded as great an ovation again as at the Dress Rehearsal on Tuesday, and should continue to please.

With Sheila Mackinlay, Claude Burgess and Day Sage in the leading roles, the light comedy, one of A. A. Milne's best, is given added flavour by sparkling performances from everyone in the cast, and makes for more than two hours of excellent entertainment.

The play has three nights yet to run, and seats, at \$3.30, \$2.20 and \$1.10, may be booked at the Anderson Music Company.

KOWLOON'S ROLE  
IN COMMERCE

A meeting to celebrate the fifth anniversary of the Chinese Chamber of Commerce, Kowloon, was held at Kowloon City yesterday, with Mr. Tai Yau-kan in the chair.

Mr. Tai said that Kowloon should play a vital part in the commerce of the Colony in the present situation. He urged members of the Chamber to unite together to bring prosperity to the Colony.

Mr. Wong Yung-yau, Manager of the Chamber, reported on the activities of the organisation.

## Princes' Chamber

NEW DELHI, Mar. 19 (Reuter).—The Princes' Chamber has recorded its heartiest gratification at the victories in Albania and Africa and its pride in the magnificent part played by Indian troops.

make out that a gift of two hundred million quintals of wheat from occupied France, which Herr Hitler had granted, showed that the Germans were more generous than the British to the French people. The effect of this subtle propaganda could not be allowed to grow and Britain had to

make it clear to the French people that she was not acting against them in insisting on her blockade and that the British people were by no means desirous of seeing the people in unoccupied France starve.

THE MAJORITY of the French people undoubtedly recognise the position very clearly and there must be many of them who would be prepared to even run the risk of starvation, if it will bring nearer the day of their liberation from the Nazi yoke. As far as America and Britain are concerned, they do not wish to see their charity being abused and a position created where foodstuffs are emptied into one end of a pipe, from the other end of which the Nazis are able to help themselves. It is on these grounds that Britain demanded definite guarantees that anything that might reach France would not benefit the enemy. The question of food in all the Nazi-occupied areas of Europe must undoubtedly play a big part in the defeat of the German war machine and the permitting of food shipments to reach France must always be considered on this basis of ultimate results. That is, of course, the correct view to be adopted, because if these foodstuffs do fall into the hands of the Germans, it would only result in prolonging the sufferings of the conquered people by strengthening Herr Hitler's war machine for fighting a protracted war and thus delaying their final freedom. These are some of the aspects of the question that Britain was faced with and the decision taken now to permit a relaxation of her blockade to a certain extent must only have been reached after her position had been made perfectly clear and after the guarantees which she has been given were found to be absolutely foolproof.

BUILDING A MEMORIAL  
TIME CANNOT SHATTER:  
ROBERT DONAT SPEAKS  
OF "THE OLD COUNTRY"

"Let us pledge ourselves to build a memorial that time cannot shatter. We must turn our backs on the dark night of doubt and we must turn our faces to the rising sun," said MR. ROBERT DONAT, the well-known film and stage star, when he broadcast from London yesterday in the series "From the Old Country."

"The choice before us is a simple one—fulfilment or failure," continued Mr. Donat. "World peace—that is the only thing worth striving for."

## FATEFUL MEETING

Mr. Donat opened his talk with a reference to the fateful meeting of the British War Cabinet which was held following the days of Dunkirk to make what he described as a momentous decision.

"It is with the event itself that I am concerned now," said Mr. Donat, "and I am going to venture the opinion that this meeting of the War Cabinet came to a decision which was more daring than anything else in the history of war."

"It was an astonishing thing that happened—a handful of men were deciding the destiny of the world—it was not merely the destiny of the nation or of Europe itself. It was the destiny of the world."

"I have never attended a meeting of the War Cabinet and I don't think that I ever shall," went on Mr. Donat, "but what these men were saying was 'If Herr Hitler invades us now, the chances are against us. What is left of our army is unarmed and unprotected. He will probably invade and if he does so, we must face the fact that he has every chance of succeeding.'"

## A FRANK PICTURE

"Tty and picture that scene frankly. In that Committee Room, a handful of men concentrated all their intelligence and courage and all their love of freedom on the tremendous decision they had to take."

"Then another voice takes up the challenge and it was the most audacious thing of all—'The chances are that they are going to strike' hard in the Mediterranean, possibly in the Suez Canal. But if we send these men abroad, we are sending out practically everything we have got. That is rather a gamble."

"A gamble, indeed!" said Mr. Donat. "I don't think there was ever a greater gamble in our history. These are the men who are pilloried as war mongers. The men who say that forget that a war once begun must be decided and that the enemy must be stopped. The grim business has to be done and this terrible responsibility rested on their shoulders."

## "THEIR FINEST HOUR"

"It was a gamble to send reinforcements to the Mediterranean. And the equipment that went with them. They were drawn from South Africa, India, New Zealand and Australia and from your native land. That battle is still being fought. Here in Mr. Churchill's words is the summing up of this happening—'If Britain and the Commonwealth and Empire last for a thousand years, then we will say that this was their finest hour.'"

"Now I am going to shift the scene to a working men's club somewhere in England," said Mr. Donat. "It was probably not far from the council room where the Cabinet sat. The common man is holding forth on the progress of the war. I don't think you will ever guess the subject even if I give you a hundred guesses, for the reason that it is the last one you will think of."

"At the hour that Britain's fate was hanging in the balance, this bunch of men had the cheek, the infernal cheek, to be discussing just what they would do with Herr Hitler when the war was over!"

"It is commonplace to dismiss this sort of chatter as complacency, but it is complacency in which there is an equal share of courage and good humour. It is the sort of humour that makes us speak of Signor Mussolini as 'Mussio' and Herr Hitler as 'Adolf'. There is no explaining it, but it is a fact and it is a fact that we are very thankful for."

## SENSE OF PROPORTION

"A sense of humour usually indicates a sense of proportion. What these men decided that Herr Hitler's fate should be I cannot tell you, but I am sure they went

back to their jobs in the morning with the same sense of proportion and the same good humour to finish the job and to take their share of the responsibility."

"This reaction against Hitlerism has awakened at last. Though mankind had to be awakened and though it shirks its collectivity, God knows that we need our leaders and they need us too."

"There are many amongst you who were shattered in the 1914-1919 cataclysm who must be listening to me. They will be thinking of the promises that were never kept and that men died in the war that was never finished. I am not blinding myself to the tragedies of the issue and all its dreadful ironies. Age shall not weary them nor years condemn. At the going down of the sun and in the morning we will remember them."

## "WE MUST REMEMBER"

"Do we remember them?" asked Mr. Donat. "Do you? We must not forget. We must remember with all our might and main those agonies and the dreadful fatalities that followed them. We must admit our mistakes—our tragic mistakes. But it seems to me that however tragic those mistakes may be, the issue is unalterable—Herr Hitler and Hitlerism must be swept from the earth."

"It is no use pretending that because the British light-heartedly dismiss Herr Hitler the issue is less serious, that each individual sacrifice is no less worthwhile. The point I am trying to stress is that however dark and bitter the past has been, however much despair and disillusioned mankind has become in these past years, nothing can be gained by despair."

## BURDEN TO SHARE

"Each of us has to bear our share of the burden. It is no less a burden than the burden of mankind. To every person who is listening to me and who is tortured with that dreadful personal torture, I would say that there is no comfort in the stricken heart, there is no peace for the tortured mind—and in this I intrude every doubt, every fear, every shattered limb, every broken body and every broken heart in the world today—unless the sum total of these human agonies can be justified."

"And it seems to me that there can be only one justification—nothing will balance the loss of life except going on with it. Let us, therefore, pledge ourselves to build a memorial that time cannot shatter. We must turn our backs on the dark night of doubt and we must turn our faces to the rising sun."

"The choice before us is a simple one—fulfilment or failure. World peace—that is the only thing worth striving for."

## NEWSETTES

The annual meeting of the Union Church, Hongkong, which was to have been held yesterday, was postponed to Monday next, March 24, at 5.30 p.m.

The forthcoming marriage of Mr. Ng Ting-oh, civil servant, of No. 689 Nathan Road, and Miss Cheuk Shiu-wan, teacher, of No. 4 Tim Po Fong Street, was announced at the Registry yesterday.

The annual meeting of the Filipino Club, postponed from Mar. 9 owing to lack of a quorum, will now take place at the Club House, King's Park, on Mar. 25 at 5.45 p.m.

CHILDREN'S DAY  
CELEBRATIONS

A large number of Chinese children are expected to turn out for athletic games at the recreation ground of the Chinese Y.M.C.A. in Kowloon, on April 4 when Children's Day will be celebrated.

The games, sponsored by the Y.M.C.A., will include roller-skating, football, bicycle-racing, Chinese boxing, mass drills and dancing. All children under 16, irrespective of sex, are welcome to participate.

## TIMELY EFFECT OF U.S. PRESIDENT'S SPEECH ON VICHY GOVERNMENT

"I think President Roosevelt's speech was particularly timely in the case of the Vichy Government. It must have convinced Admiral Darlan and his colleagues that it is no longer possible to drive a wedge between Great Britain and the United States," said MR. VERNON BARTLETT, M.P., when he broadcast from London yesterday.

"Two months ago, the position might have been very embarrassing," continued Mr. Bartlett, "and in order to postpone it we have allowed the Vichy Government to import many things which the Germans badly need."

### HITLER'S HOPES

"Even so, the Germans have got three-quarters of the cargoes that arrived at unoccupied ports in France. We cannot be sparing in our blockade weapon and yet, if we stop every ship from going to unoccupied France, we might fulfil one of Herr Hitler's hopes, which is that Britain and her allies of last year should come to blows."

"That is what happened up to a point. We have not, as a rule, interfered with ships going from French African colonies to France. It has not been easy to refrain from action. The cargoes on these ships have been very valuable and included vegetable oils. We must not forget that Germany's oil shortage, in spite of what she has been able to get from Rumania, is still one of our greatest assets."

"Then there were quantities of phosphates, which Germany needs for her agriculture. And now Admiral Darlan wants to make use of the French Fleet to escort ships to France, after a promise has been given that the fleet would not be used for such a purpose."

"Hitherto, Marshal Petain has been careful to keep to the terms of the armistice, so that Herr Hitler would not have excuses to go for them."

### INVADER'S RESPONSIBILITY

Mr. Bartlett went on to state that much of France's food was grown in those parts which the Nazis have occupied, but that there was hunger in both areas because the Germans have stored so much for themselves. The Germans and Italians had also between them taken away a large part of France's live stock.

## NAZIS SILENT ABOUT GREECE

### Understanding With Turkey Sought

MADRID, Mar. 19 (Reuter).—The German Foreign Office spokesman is now refusing to answer questions about Germany's intentions towards Greece, writes the Berlin correspondent of the newspaper Ya.

A big press and radio campaign against Greece is going on which is regarded in Berlin as a sign that the Greek situation is now in the hands of the military. Current reports in the German capital say that 300,000 British troops are in Greece.

### DIPLOMATIC ACTION

STOCKHOLM, Mar. 19 (Reuter).—Diplomatic action is proceeding with the object of reaching a complete understanding between Germany and Turkey, says the Allehandia correspondent in Berlin.

He adds that it is generally believed that Germany is hesitating to take action against Greece pending greater certainty as to Turkey's attitude.

Authoritative circles in Berlin, he states, refuse to express an opinion as to whether President Reuenn's reply to Hitler is considered satisfactory or otherwise.

## PARTY TRUCE PROLONGED

The Secretary for Air, Sir Archibald Sinclair, said in London yesterday that the Party truce may be prolonged for at least three years after the war, states a London message.

A General Election after the armistice would be disastrous because it would be at that time that Britain and the United States would be devoting themselves to the reconstruction of world order. (Special)

## FATE OF ITALIAN EAST AFRICA HANGING IN BALANCE

### Hand To Hand Fighting In Progress Around Keren

LONDON, March 19 (Reuter).—Keren, which will decide the fate of Italian East Africa and perhaps the whole of Italian East Africa now appears to be in an increasingly desperate position, according to reports from British and Italian sources in the last 24 hours. Dispatches from Khartoum, British communiques from Cairo and Nairobi, and an Italian communique from Rome tell a story of heavy Italian losses in bitter counter-attacks against the beleaguering Imperial army.

A report from Cairo states that severe fighting is proceeding in a temperature of 105 degrees and, while exact details are yet lacking, it is believed that there has been hand to hand fighting in this mountain warfare. The enemy is making no determined counter-attacks but according to a military spokesman all positions there are being held successfully.

A communique from Cairo yesterday also reports that pressure by Imperial and patriot forces in Abyssinia is being maintained successfully over a wide area against the retreating Italians while British troops are extending the area of occupation in British Somaliland.

From the north British and French troops are pushing across the wilderness of the ridges towards the road leading from Keren.

Several heights held by the Italians still separate them from the road, which is ideal for defence. The British have to assault the positions which the Italians have had a month to prepare and they are faced with greatly superior numbers, estimated at 30,000.

The Battle of Keren, therefore, is expected to last several days.

### AIR OPERATIONS

A heavy attack was made by the R.A.F. on Tripoli harbour on Sunday night.

The mole, ships and quays were bombed, large fires were started in hangars and military stores, and explosions were seen at a railway depot and near the wireless station.

The R.A.F. communique announcing this also states that the R.A.F. continued their activity in the Keren area.

### RECAPTURE OF BERBERA

LONDON, Mar. 19 (Reuter).—An epic story of the recapture of Berbera, the capital of British Somaliland, is told in a cable received from Aden yesterday.

At one point the success of the whole operation depended on four men in a boat steering silently towards the Somali coast.

The outstanding impression left by the operation is the "unchangeable loyalty" of the Somalis, whose territory had been usurped by the Italians.

About midnight on March 15-16, the liberating fleet, consisting of troopships conveyed by warships, stole silently towards the coast. Clouds scudded across the sky and occasionally allowed the moon to illuminate the flat shore with the mountains beyond.

### TWO LANDINGS

Previous aerial photographic operations gave the commanders of the expedition full knowledge of the terrain and the assault was planned to force the Italians to divide their already depleted and demoralised forces.

Two landings were planned. The western landing was entrusted to picked Indian troops with supporting engineers and artillery while the eastern landing was to be carried out by Arabs and Somalis specially recruited at Aden under British officers.

The implicit faith of the Somalis in British ability to restore to them their land impressed every one at Aden.

"Four men in a boat had the task."

## NAZI REPRISALS IN HOLLAND

German reprisals have been taken in Holland, states a London message, where 300 Dutchmen have been sent to concentration camps because of alleged ill-treatment of German internees. They are obliged to wear prison clothes and are only allowed to receive one letter a month.

In the Netherlands, on the other hand, the whole treatment of internees is based on humane principles.

One-third of the staff of an aircraft factory in Prague have been imprisoned owing to a strike while German experts have replaced Czechs in the Skoda works because production has been falling recently. (Special)

of landing without disturbing the enemy and marking out the landing beach.

### INTERMINABLE WAIT

After an apparently interminable period of waiting, the signal flashed news of the successful accomplishment of this task. Suddenly at zero hour, like a flash of thunder naval gunfire shattered the quiet night. Naval shells ripped through the air, exploding inland.

It was later learned that although a large number of Italians had left the town under cover of darkness shortly before the British approach, those who remained were sufficiently numerous to require force to crush them.

Away on the right, the western landing force went into action and a way had been paved for the eastern force of Somalis and Arabs to land and advance towards the town two miles away.

### ITALIANS OUTCLASSED

Italian machine-guns and field guns, attempting to stem the assault, were outclassed by the accuracy of the British naval fire which was more "praiseworthy" in view of the murky and cloudy nature of the night.

The Somalis and Arabs continued to advance and news came of the complete success of the major attack in the west.

By 9.20 a.m. all was over; Berbera was again in British hands. Over 100 prisoners were taken while the British casualties were negligible.

Even during the bombardment, the inhabitants of Berbera came running to meet the British forces, waving Union Jacks and Somali flags which had been hidden from the Italians.

The Italians had blown up the pass on the road to Sheikh but the Somalis were already busy repairing it to aid the British pursuit.

### MAJOR IN TEARS

Within a few hours of reoccupation, transports and stores were being landed and the British officers examined the forlorn and miserably-equipped Italian prisoners.

The major commanding them burst into tears when handing over his revolver. "I am an old soldier," he said epitomising the general feeling regarding the degradation to which Mussolini's African gamble has led a once free and cultured people.

## SYMBOLIC TOUCH

American naval units are due to arrive in Sydney today and will be given a rousing reception, states a message from Sydney, which adds that the passing of the Lease and Lend Bill will give a symbolic touch to the event. (Special)

### THANKS FROM N.Z.

AUCKLAND, MAY 19 (Reuter).—"Thanks for everything. Long live Uncle Sam," said the Mayor of Auckland in welcoming the American squadron which is visiting New Zealand.

The sailors marched through the streets after the civic reception. Capt. Stone, speaking for the visitors, referred to the spontaneous and enthusiastic welcome and thanked the New Zealanders for looking after American women and children evacuated there from the Far East.

He said this had made a lasting impression in the United States.

### INDIAN AMBUSH

NEW DELHI, Mar. 19 (Reuter).—One Indian officer and one Indian other rank were killed, and one British officer and two Indian other ranks were wounded, when a staff car was ambushed on the Barmu-Mirail road.

## CHUNGKING BOMBED

### RAIDERS ENGAGED BY FIGHTERS

CHUNGKING, Mar. 19 (Central).—After a long respite Japanese bombers yesterday resumed their air bombardment of Chungking in a two-hour raid, between 11.15 a.m. and 1.22 p.m.

Eighteen enemy planes took part in the raid, coming in two batches of 9 each. Kert flying in a high altitude by ferocious anti-aircraft fire and engaged by Chinese fighters the first batch of 9 raiders hurriedly dumped three dozens of bombs on the suburbs, causing negligible damage.

The second batch, however, succeeded in breaking through and flew over a part of the city. Bussily engaged by Chinese planes in a dogfight the raiders dropped no bombs on the city proper, only occasionally strafing the streets with machine-guns.

## CONTRIBUTION TO S. AFRICA'S WAR EFFORT

South African state-owned railways and harbours are making a great contribution to the nation's war effort, states a London message. Seven thousand employees of railways have been released for military service.

The workshops are manufacturing armaments which includes 3.7-in. field-guns, light gun casemates and machine-gun mountings.

Three companies have been raised for an armoured vehicle corps and a fourth is being formed. (Special)

## PRESENTATION TO MME. CHIANG

CHUNGKING, Mar. 19 (Central).—Madame Chiang Kai-shek is the recipient of valuable presents from Mrs. Franklin D. Roosevelt, wife of the President of the United States, and Her Majesty the Queen of England. The presentation ceremony is scheduled to take place tomorrow morning (Thursday). The National Association of the American Y. W. C. A. has also presented three precious articles to Madame Chiang.

## U.S. CITIZENS IN FREE FRANCE

LONDON, March 19 (Reuter).—American citizens in Unoccupied France have been asked by the United States Embassy to leave, according to a Paris dispatch to the German official news agency. The agency adds that their permits will not be renewed.

## U.S. G-MEN AFTER TRAIN WRECKERS

American G-Men are trying to track down the men responsible for wrecking the Pittsburgh Express, as the work was undoubtedly due to sabotage, stated a message from Sydney. (Special)

## FINE BARRACKS CONCERT

An entertaining variety concert, sponsored by the First Battalion the Middlesex Regiment, was held in the Nanking Barracks last evening.

In addition to band music rendered under the conductorship of B/M Kifford, many artists participated in the programme. Miss Irene Arden also gave dance exhibitions. Artists who took part in the concert were: Pte. Schorach, Mr. Vic. Labrum, Cpl. Edmunds, C. P. O. Edge, D/M Holdford, Capt. Marsh and Chatter "Rover" and C. S. M. Minnahan.

### CHEQUES LOST

The loss or theft in Kowloon of seven traveller's cheques, issued by the American Express Company, between Monday and yesterday has been reported by Mr. A. Anril, residing at Room 406-7 of Kowloon Hotel, Hankow Road. The cheques, the serial numbers of which are from K5029883-9 inclusive, are of US\$10 each.

## INTENSE AND ACTIVE TRAINING ON HOME FRONT TO MEET INVASION

"I suppose 'All Quiet on the Home Front' would best describe the situation at present, but though outwardly all is quiet, there is intense activity going on," said MAJ.-GENERAL R. J. COLLINS, when he broadcast from London yesterday on the manner in which the army at home is continuing to provide against all possibilities of invasion and attack.

Maj.-General Collins went on to emphasise the great activity which was going on in the training of the higher staff. General Brooke had been carrying out a series of exercises, which had been attended not only by the higher commands and staff officers, but also representatives of the Royal Navy and the Royal Air Force, who would be helping them.

### DETAILED STUDY

"In these exercises, the action to be taken against enemy attacks has been studied in detail," said Major-General Collins, "and all those present were deeply impressed by General Brooke's grasp of the situation and of his capacity to inspire his subordinates with the battle-winning spirit. In fact, the British army is lucky in its two principal commanders today."

Both have the confidence of those under their command and in training and practice, confidence among the commands is growing. Tank and field work is coming to the fore and the troops have been gaining an intimate knowledge of the manner in which they will have to move and fight."

Major-General Collins stressed the fact that the army has received much help from the members of the Home Guard, because local knowledge was a great asset and expressed the view that the removal of road signs would prove a very serious obstacle to the Germans even if they did manage to land in Britain.

"It is going to take the enemy a great deal of trouble to get across the Channel," said the speaker, "and even then his trouble will be greater when he cannot find his way about in this place. This is where the Home Guard is going to help and they are steadily training until they get more efficient. They are taking a more and more active part in the defence of the country and will assist the army to take the offensive against the invader."

### CEASELESS TRAINING

"That is the rule to which General Brooke has been ceaselessly training his troops. Their fighting experience is admittedly of a patchy kind. Those who were in France had the experience of fighting mostly on the retreat, but thanks to the German air attacks, the army has had its baptism of fire."

"Its spirit today differs from the spirit of any army I have seen. Firstly, it is that feeling that we

have been forced again into war and the whole level of our civilisation debased. Secondly, there is the intense desire of those who were in France and Belgium to get their own back for what happened in Dunkirk."

"Thirdly, there is the longing to get even with the enemy for the killing of our women and children and the destruction of our churches, and fourthly, the loathing that the army feels for all German owing to their ruthless behaviour in the countries they have overrun and enslaved."

"As to when the invasion will come, no one but Herr Hitler can say. I can guess that he is not finding it easy to decide and the question he is asking himself must be: Is there any way out of this last gamble?"

### BRITAIN IS ROUSED

"The war now shows signs of running away with him," went on Major-General Collins, "and he may, therefore, be forced to act. Well, if he does, the Navy, the Army and the Air Force is ready and, what is more, the civil population has set us an example of courage and endurance."

"It has always been hard to rouse the British Army. But this time let there be no doubt about this—the officers and men are roused. They are filled with grim determination to fight. If it comes to invasion, for the first time in nearly a thousand years we shall be fighting on this soil for the safety of Britain."

### AFRICAN CAMPAIGN

At the beginning of his talk, Major-General Collins reviewed briefly the progress of the British fighting forces in the African campaign against the Italians and paid a tribute to the assistance which the Navy and the Air Force had rendered to bring about what he described as "inter-service team work."

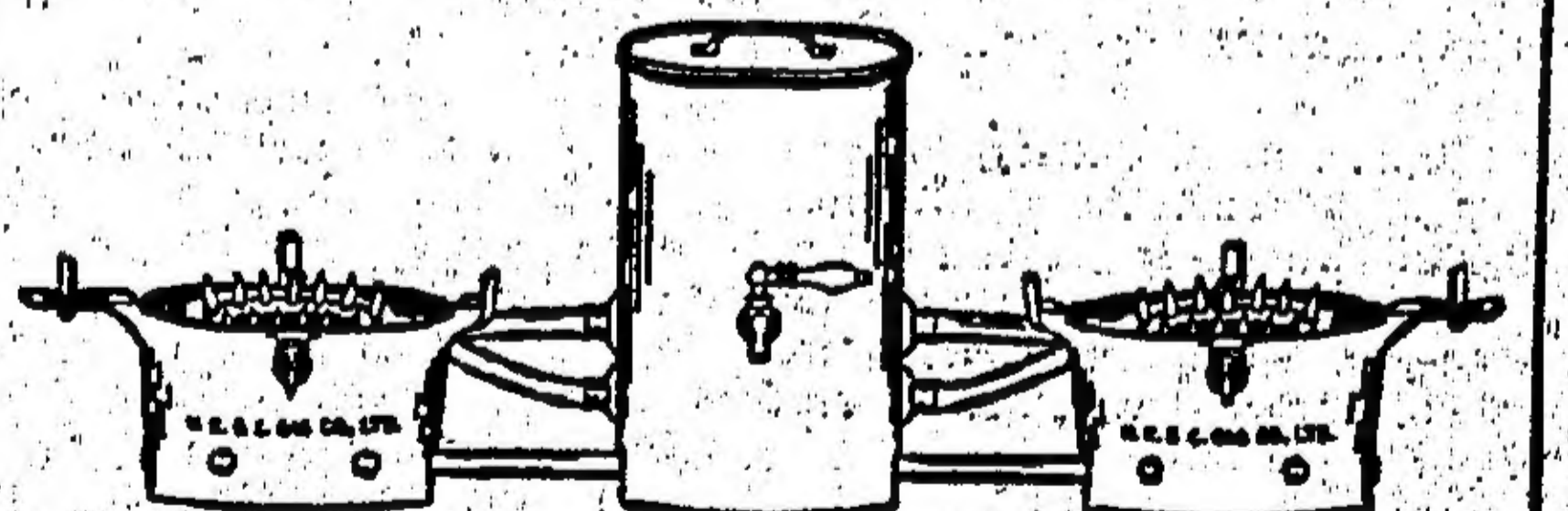
Amongst the many fine performances was the crossing of the River Juba by the South African troops and the drive by the East and West African troops to Mogadishu, which broke the will of the Italians to resist.

"With Mogadishu in our hands," said Major-General Collins, "the Royal Navy can land supplies from Mombassa. Now our troops are well on their way to the Abyssinian plateau, with a steady climb of 7,000 feet before them."

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## A DEFENCE OF THE KING OF BELGIUM

BY JOHN CUDAHY

Below is the 4th instalment of an extract from Life of Nov. 25, 1940, written by MR. JOHN CUDAHY, former United States Ambassador to Belgium, in which he clears King Leopold of the Belgians, of the charge of "treason."

(We are indebted to the Belgian Ambassador to China for the article).

In this crisis, national self-interest and the instinct of self-preservation were decisive. That the British were able to extricate themselves from Dunkirk is one of the most brilliant and glorious exploits of all wars. I visited the beach at Dunkirk and La Panne a few days after the heroic embarkation and witnessed a scene of havoc and desolation beyond the power of language.

There, scattered on the sands were launches, skiffs, duckboats, sailboats, barges—almost every conceivable craft which would float—abandoned amidst the wilderness of equipment, rifles, anti-aircraft weapons, tanks, trucks and motor vehicles. The same appalling wake of destruction was on the two parallel roads from Dunkirk and La Panne, almost all the way to Ypres, and presented a scene so crushingly depressing that I can still feel the influence as I write.

Looking out upon the scene of abandonment, one marvelled that any living thing could survive, and it is a triumph of courage and determination that over 300,000 men, as announced by the British Prime Minister, made safe the crossing to the home shores. Among the prisoners taken were 85,000 French.

## KNOCK-OUT BLOW

Three days after the Saint Andre conference on May 24, the Germans came on with a knock-out blow. They focussed the fury of their assault on the cornered Belgians, and here as always, aviation played the decisive role. Belgian officers who took part in that raging four-day battle have told me that large groups of German bombers, 50 at a time, would appear overhead, followed by diving Stukas, and when the discouraged Belgian soldiers looked up for some retaliation from the Allied side, they searched the skies in vain. This was the most discouraging feature of all in the Belgian campaign, for against this flattening aerial attack no ground defence could be effective.

The Belgian Government, which had left Brussels for Ostend, the day before the Germans entered the capital, moved on to France, but four Cabinet Ministers remained in the battle zone with their sovereign. These were: Pierlot, Prime Minister; Spaak, Minister for Foreign Affairs; General Denais, Minister for Defence; and Van der Poorten, Minister of the Interior. They were all men of sincere motive and did what they did in the belief that they were acting for the best interests of their nation, and it is a sad thing that the Belgian people, when I left the country, had passed judgment on these patriotic statesmen without giving their case a hearing.

## QUIT COUNTRY

These four Cabinet Ministers were at Bruges when the last battle of Flanders commenced on May 24. For days they had realised that the German advance could not be stayed and had tried to convince King Leopold that his duty was to quit the country. That night, after discussing the matter among themselves until a late hour, they set forth and requested an audience at Wymendael where their monarch had established headquarters in the chateau of a friend. "It is a dramatic picture," the King, summoned from the bed where he had sought a few hours of relief with closed eyes until dawn, should bring another day of horror, and the ministers, ponderous and nervefrayed by the weight of their heavy office in this tragic hour of Belgian history. He met them with grave courtesy, erect as always, his hair tousled and disordered like a boy's, while outside, the battle raged and the night was made lurid by distant flaming towns.

Gembroux, Tirlemont, Nivelles, Tournai, Alost, Dixmude, Furnes, Sint-Truid, Tongres, Thourout, Tielit, Ostend, Nieuwpoort, Malines, Louvain, in hardly a fortnight all had been smashed, battered and set on fire as if hell itself had descended upon them. These seasoned counsellors pointed out the inextricable position of the Belgian Army, now in a matter of a few hours escape might be impossible and again they urged upon the King his duty to leave the country. He was, they protested, the leader of all the Belgians, and the Belgian cause might

well be lost if he fell into the hands of the enemy.

## BITTER HUMOUR

He heard them unmoved. He was the Chief of State, he affirmed, but beyond that he was the Chief of all the armed forces. When they countered that his duty as King transcended that of Commander-in-Chief of the Army, he reminded them with bitter humour that if the Army went down, the only Belgium that would remain would be a political theory.

After more heated, futile words, the solemn assemblage broke up. And as day broke, the ministers gravely bowed themselves out of the royal presence and went away in heavy dejection. Scarcely an hour later they were all embarked on a small craft on their way to England. Shortly thereafter German airplanes dropped a rain of pamphlets over the Belgian-British lines, showing the Allied forces huddled in the north-west corner of Flanders, surrounded by the German Army, with the coast of France from Calais to the Somme all in enemy hands.

A translation of what the pamphlet said is: "Comrade, this is the situation. Your leaders have deserted and fled by airplane. The war for you is finished. Lay down your arms."

## WAS TRUE

This might be considered propaganda, except that propaganda is generally understood as the dissemination of falsehood and the distortion of truth, but everything the German pamphlet said was true—except that Leopold had deserted his soldiers. When this deception became known to him, the King issued the following message to all ranks:—

"Soldiers, The great battle which we expected has commenced. It will be hard. We will enter the contest with one supreme effort."

Soldiers, It will be on the same ground where in 1914 we so gloriously held the invader.

Belgium expects that you will do honour to her flag. Officers, soldiers, Whatever happens, my fate will be yours.

I demand of your strength, discipline, confidence.

Our cause is right and just. Providence will aid us.

Vive la Belgique (Long live Belgium).

## LEOPOLD

In the field 25 May 1940. He knew only too well what his fate would be. Like a last testament was the letter he placed that same afternoon in the hands of General Sir John Dill, now Chief of the Imperial Staff of the British Army, in which he described the hopeless outlook and wrote that while he had no other course except surrender, he would not desert his soldiers and his people. This letter was delivered the next day by Sir John Dill to the British King at Buckingham Palace.

(TO BE CONTINUED)

## UNCLAIMED TELEGRAMS

The following is a list of unclaimed telegrams lying at the office of the Great Northern Telegraph Company (Limited):—

Dr. Tehéng, 32 Village Road, from Stockholm; Wong Ye Kwan, c/o Wang Kook Sang, Phoenix Neon-Light Co., Kowloon, from Shanghai; Tong Tse Wing, Tien Yat Co., 72A Queen's Road, C. 1st Fl., from Shanghai.

## Round The Police Courts

AT CENTRAL

## FORGED BANKNOTES

Hearing of the case in which a 48-year-old unemployed, Lai To, and a 14-year-old girl are charged with conspiracy in connexion with forged banknotes was fixed for March 23 at 2.30 p.m. by Mr. E. G. Sheldon yesterday.

The girl is also charged with possession of two forged \$10 Chartered Bank of India, Australia and China, 10 Hongkong Government \$1 and one ten yuan Bank of Communications notes.

Acting Sub-Inst. Moran is in charge of the case.

## UNREGISTERED DOCTOR

Wong Yuet-wan, 35, described as a Chinese female doctor, of Room No. 11, Ho Tung Building, second floor, appeared on remand before Mr. Sheldon yesterday on charges of not being a registered medical practitioner; unlawfully practising for gain or professing to practice medicine or surgery and unlawfully had in possession eight ampoules of Hyponophylin and a bottle of liquid extract of Ergot, which are poisons.

Sub-Inst. C. H. Goodwin, who was in charge of the case, told the Court that he had no evidence to offer as regards the second charge as the analysis was not so complete. The charge was subsequently withdrawn.

Defendant pleaded guilty and said that she did not know the regulations down here as she came from Canton.

A fine of \$500 or two months simple imprisonment was imposed.

## BURGLAR GAOLED

That he had a cheque for \$300, which was negotiable at a local bank, but only for his ignorance that it was not cashed was revealed to Chau Chi, 26, unemployed, who appeared before Mr. Lowry yesterday on charges of attempted burglary, possession of house-breaking implement and possession of property stolen outside of the Colony.

Det.-Sgt. J. R. Sykes, prosecuting, said that when he was arrested and brought to the Police Station and searched, he had in his possession, besides the bit of a drill, a cheque for \$300, which he admitted having stolen from a house in Pak Kong Village, Nam Ho District, near Canton, during the Japanese invasion on Feb. 18.

Defendant had two previous convictions. He was sentenced to four months' hard labour.

## WIDOW VICTIMISED

Sentence of three months' hard labour was imposed on Yeung Kwun-lai, 19, unemployed, by Mr. Lowry yesterday for stealing \$1,300 Chinese currency and \$300 Hongkong currency from a 41-year-old widow, Leung Ho, at No. 10, Kwai Wa Lane, second floor, on Feb. 21.

Det.-Sgt. Willison prosecuted.

## EUROPEAN FINED

Pleading guilty through a representative, F. G. Herdridge, of Messrs. W. R. Loxley and Company (China), Ltd., York Building, Chater Road, summoned for a breach of the black-out regulations, was fined \$25 by Mr. Sheldon yesterday.

Det.-Sgt. H. B. Dewar said that at 8.45 p.m. on Feb. 27, a light was seen shining out of the Company's godown in Duddell Street.

## JUDGMENT RESERVED

Judgment was reserved by Mr. Sheldon until March 27 at 2.20 p.m., in the case in which Pun Man-cheuk, 27, and Cheng Shu, 44, were charged with threatening Wong Kwai, 57, master of the Yung Fat Loong, No. 25, Connaught Road West, with intent to cause him to pay \$3,000, yesterday, when the hearing was concluded.

Mr. M. A. da Silva appeared for complainant, while the defendants were represented by the Hon. Mr. Leo d'Almada, Jr., instructed by Mr. F. X. d'Almada. Det.-Sgt. J. Bendley was present for the Police.

## DEFENCE REGULATIONS

Kwan Ng, of No. 36, Hillier Street, summoned for a breach of the Defence Regulations by trying to send one letter out of the Colony other than by post, was fined \$500 by Mr. Sheldon yesterday.

Mr. D. C. W. Fitches, Superintendent of Mails, prosecuted.

## HEARING FIXED

Thirteen masters and managers of Chinese firms were summoned before Mr. Sheldon yesterday for attempting to send letters out of the Colony other than by post, which offence is a breach of the Defence Regulations.

The hearing was fixed for March 25 at 11 a.m.

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The defendants, who will all be represented by Mr. C. D'Almada, were:

Messrs. Hung On-to, of No. 73, Jervois Street; Li Yam-nam, of No. 74, Jervois Street; Kwok Chuk-wah, of No. 45, Bonham Strand East; Lam Kee-tak, of No. 15, Bonham Strand West; Lai Ming-tong, of No. 8, Hillier Street; Tung Chung-wai, of No. 11, Bonham Strand; Woo Wai-pui, of No. 33, Jervois Street; Wong Wing-kam, of No. 19, Jervois Street; Leung Cho, of No. 225, Wing Lok Street; Hu Keng-yun, of No. 225, Wing Lok Street; Hon Shum-kwong, of No. 68, Bonham Strand West; Pun Kwai-ping, of No. 269, Des Voeux Road Central; and Ip Pul, of No. 6, New Market Street.

Mr. D. C. W. Fitches, Superintendent of Mails, is in charge of the case.

## FALSIFICATION ALLEGED

Hearing of the case in which Chung Pui-kam, 27, unemployed, is charged on six counts of falsification of accounts of sums involved totalling \$6,400, was begun before Mr. G. T. Lowry at the Central Magistrate's yesterday.

Mr. W. M. Brown appeared for the prosecution, while Acting Sub-Inst. F. Nolan was present for the Police. Defendant was represented by Mr. H. A. de Barros Botelho, who pleaded not guilty.

Defendant is charged with, that being a clerk to the Yue Cheung Firm, with intent to defraud, he made or concurred in making false entries in the rough cash book of the firm, purporting to show that on or about Nov. 14, 1939, \$13,440 had been paid into the firm's account with the Bank of East Asia, Ltd., on Dec. 1, 1939, \$2,650 had been paid, and on Dec. 21 of the same year, \$920 had been paid.

The other three counts alleged that on April 18, 1940, he omitted or concurred in omitting from or in the rough cash book of the firm a material particular of the withdrawal on the same day of \$300 from the Bank of East Asia, on April 17, the withdrawal of \$500, and, on April 27 the withdrawal of \$400.

Mr. Brown stated that the practice regarding the issue of cheques of the firm was that one of the two cheques used was kept by first complainant and the other kept by defendant. Some time ago, it was necessary for defendant to take from first complainant his chop, which was never returned.

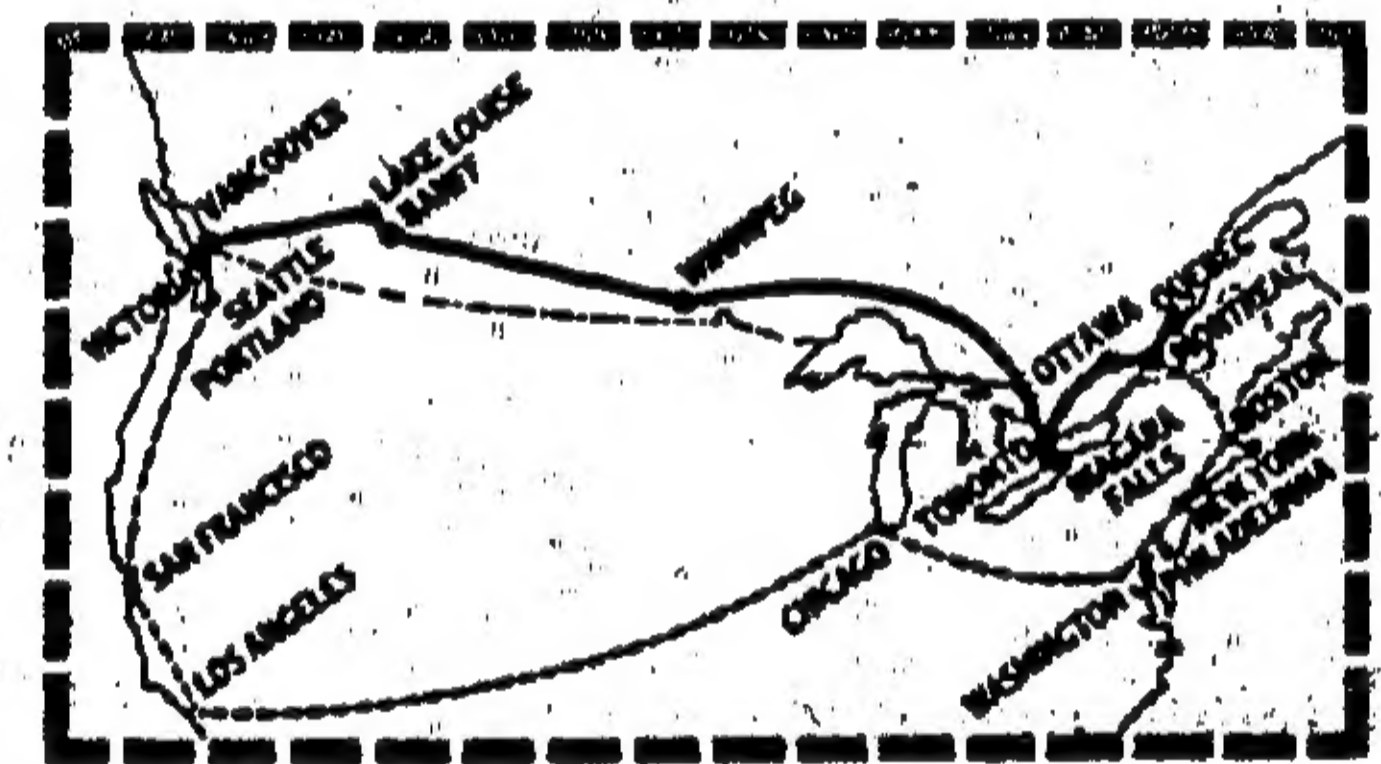
Hearing was adjourned to 2.30 p.m. today.

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DIBRUGARH, Mar. 19. (Reuter).—The Deputy Commissioner of Lakhimpur District has warned the people of Dibrugarh and Tinsukia, to be ready for possible air attacks.

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## BRITISH WAR FIGURES IN THE UNITED STATES

WASHINGTON, Mar. 19 (Reuter). — The evidence given by the United States defence chiefs at last week's secret hearings before the National Defence Committee was released yesterday as the House of Representatives began debate on the British Aid appropriations.

The Director-General of Defence, Mr. William Knudsen's statement showed that Britain financed 61 manufacturing plants out of 784 available or in preparation for the production of defence materials.

The statement, made by the Budget Director, Mr. Harold Smith, gave a comprehensive view of Britain's war expenditure in the United States. The total existing British orders, says Mr. Smith's statement, aggregate \$2,700,000,000. Payment of \$1,680,000,000 has been made.

All goods delivered to Britain have been paid for and usually a 25 per cent. deposit was paid in cash with an order.

The remaining liabilities will be met from Britain's existing dollar resources.

The statement says that British Government has not adequate funds to meet additional commitments but none was proposed.

### PRE-BILL ORDERS

The United States' \$7,000,000,000 British Aid appropriation would be used to pay the orders placed by Britain before the passage of the Lease and Lend Bill.

At the beginning of the current year, British holdings included \$616,000,000 of marketable securities and \$9,000,000,000 of less easily marketable investments.

The nominal value of United Kingdom investments in Canada is \$2,000,000,000 and in South America \$3,500,000,000. The market value, said Mr. Smith, is much less than the nominal value.

## HONGKONG SHAREBROKERS ASSOCIATION

Volume of Business Transacted on Wednesday, Mar. 19, 1941

### SALES

H.K. Banks	5	\$1,340.00
China Providents	4	1,340.00
H.K. Docks (Old)	250	5.15
H.K. Docks (New)	200	16.50
Ropes	100	8.20
	500	8.15
	700	8.20
	1759	
The total value is		\$27,232.50.

## DEBATE ON AID TO BRITAIN

### Reputation Of U.S. At Stake

WASHINGTON, Mar. 19 (Reuter). — The United States House of Representatives yesterday began debate on the \$7,000,000,000 Aid to British appropriation.

It was confronted with a tersely worded warning from the Appropriations Committee that this huge figure must be quickly approved or the reputation of the United States among nations would suffer.

The note coincides with Mr. Churchill's reference in London to submarines and to the operation of Nazi battle cruisers on the United States' side of the Atlantic. The note requested the House to approve the Bill with one change: that any article procured under the Bill shall be retained by the United States Government at the President's discretion instead of being sent to a foreign government if that is considered necessary for United States defence.

### ACCIDENTAL REVELATION

The accidental revelation of two items in the proposed United States expenditure for aid to Britain, was made during today's debate on the seven billion dollar appropriation.

A Representative referred to the purchase of \$50,000,000 of tobacco. Money for this purpose would come from an allocation of \$1,350,000,000 earmarked for agricultural and other commodities.

It is understood that lists of further items exist but President Roosevelt does not wish to make them public.

The information given above was revealed accidentally; it was not suppressed, but it will be struck off the House of Representatives' records.

## INDIAN RAILWAY BUDGET

An unprecedentedly large surplus of nearly \$11,000,000, exceeding the previous year's surplus by over \$7,500,000, is revealed in the Indian railway budget for 1940/1941.

In presenting the budget, the Government spokesman said that traffic connected with the war effort was the preponderant factor in the surplus. Furthermore, 305 miles of railway line had been dismantled during the year for purposes of war economy.

All available skilled labour, materials and machine-tools were required for war work, the spokesman said, and particularly for munitions, and many of the workshops are now entirely occupied by war work.

## U.S. FOOD SUPPLIES FOR BRITAIN

WASHINGTON, Mar. 19 (Reuter). — President Roosevelt revealed yesterday that he had asked the public health service to prepare a list of foods, including vitamins, needed by Britain and other democracies.

Most of the food to be furnished, he said, would be sent to Britain but other democracies were involved and also Spain.

President Roosevelt added that the Red Cross was completing arrangements for two cargoes of food to be sent to Unoccupied France.

## U.K. PRODUCTION OF AIRCRAFT

LONDON, Mar. 19 (Reuter). — More aircraft, both bombers and fighters, were produced in Britain during February than in any previous month during the war.

This was announced in the House of Commons yesterday by Colonel J.J. Llewellyn, Parliamentary Secretary to the Ministry of Aircraft Production.

## New Copper Deposits In Spain

Considerable copper deposits have been discovered in the Ayora Valley. It was disclosed in Valencia. The deposits, cover an area of 2,125 acres. The newly-discovered copper fields are expected to yield 6,500 tons annually after five years, thus greatly strengthening Spain's copper supply.

## CANADA DRIVES AHEAD

### Firmly Resolved To Meet The Supreme Test Of War

Ottawa.—The birth of a new year found Canada driving swiftly ahead, in firm resolve to meet the supreme test of war. As indicated in a recent release by the Director of Public Information, a peace-loving nation of twelve million people has been transformed in sixteen months into a nation united in determination to the pursuit of a just and common cause—a war to a finish.

A Canadian Army Corp anxiously awaits in the United Kingdom its call to the front line. Canadian airmen have fought and distinguished themselves in the Battle of London. Canadian naval vessels are patrolling Great Britain's life-line of the sea. Three Canadian contingents and one Australian contingent of graduates under the Empire Air Training Plan have already arrived in Great Britain from Canada.

The Canadian Navy which, at the outbreak of war, consisted of only 15 vessels now has 120 naval craft and within a year 100 more vessels will be added to this fleet. Foodstuffs, ammunition, guns, aircraft, motorised equipment, with a great variety of other equipment, are flowing across the Atlantic in an ever increasing stream.

In the economic field, Canada is contributing as she could not in the first Great War. Economic activity in the Dominion is at a higher level than ever recorded before. In the first ten months of 1940, it rose 19.4 per cent over the level for the corresponding period of 1939.

Official returns show the highest level of industrial employment in 20 years. War orders placed for Canadian account alone total more than \$390,000,000. Fifty-five main airports have been constructed. Canada is turning out guns, shells, ammunition, bombs, aeroplanes, and components for tanks.

"Production in Canada today is at a rate surpassing anything ever

achieved heretofore, and according to present plans, before the end of this year, this country will be producing at a rate some 70 per cent greater than during the peak of our efforts in the last war," said Hon. Angus L. Macdonald, Acting as Minister of Munitions and Supply, in the absence of Hon. C. D. Howe.

"Our total production in the year just ended was close to 40 per cent more than that of 1917 or 1918 when we attained our maximum effort in the Great War."

### PRODUCTION

Canadian production during the coming year might even be stepped up to a rate equal to 50 per cent greater than in 1923, when Canada attained her maximum pre-war production. The total output for the whole year should at least be 25 per cent greater in volume than anything ever attained by Canada, he said. Not only will we be producing ever increasing quantities of goods, but our volume of production will contain a greater proportion and variety of finished and semi-finished goods than ever before. In short, our industrial contribution will be greater in volume, and much greater, too, in the amount of labour and skill employed in its manufacture.

This young country has become one of the great industrial nations of the world, chiefly through her rich natural resources in farmland, abundance of cheap electrical power, her forest wealth, and her vast mineral deposits. Her mining and metallurgical industries have become leading world producers of copper, nickel, lead and zinc—four of the most essential war minerals—and of asbestos and platinum.

They produce large quantities of such other minerals essential to industrial use, as coal, petroleum, natural gas, gypsum, salt, cobalt, mica, sulphur, selenium and cadmium as well as cement, clay products and other structural materials. Owing to her abundance of cheap electrical power, Canada is

## COMMITTEE TO DEAL WITH SHIPBUILDING

SYDNEY.—The Federal Government will set up a small executive committee to deal with merchant shipbuilding in Australia, the Prime Minister announced.

The proposal to create the committee was approved by the War Cabinet.

Although no announcement on personnel has been made, it is strongly reported that the leader of the Labour (Non-Communist) Party in the Federal Parliament (Mr. Beasley) will be offered a place on the committee as an authority on the industrial problems in the industry.

Mr. Menzies said that the committee would work in conjunction with the Minister for Supply (Senator McBride), in whose department it would be created.

### PRIVATE ENTERPRISE

While the committee would be given executive functions, the Government desired that as far as possible shipbuilding should be carried out by private enterprise, Mr. Menzies said.

An investigation was being made of the constructional facilities now available and the War Cabinet was directing an investigation into business aspects of the industry.

Mr. Menzies hinted that yards and slips now being used for naval ship building might soon be used to lay down merchant ships.

He said the Government had already adopted a programme involving the construction of no fewer than 51 naval vessels.

This programme was proceeding so satisfactorily that it was now possible to look forward to entering into the wider field of merchant shipbuilding.

## NATIONAL AIR RAID DISTRESS FUND

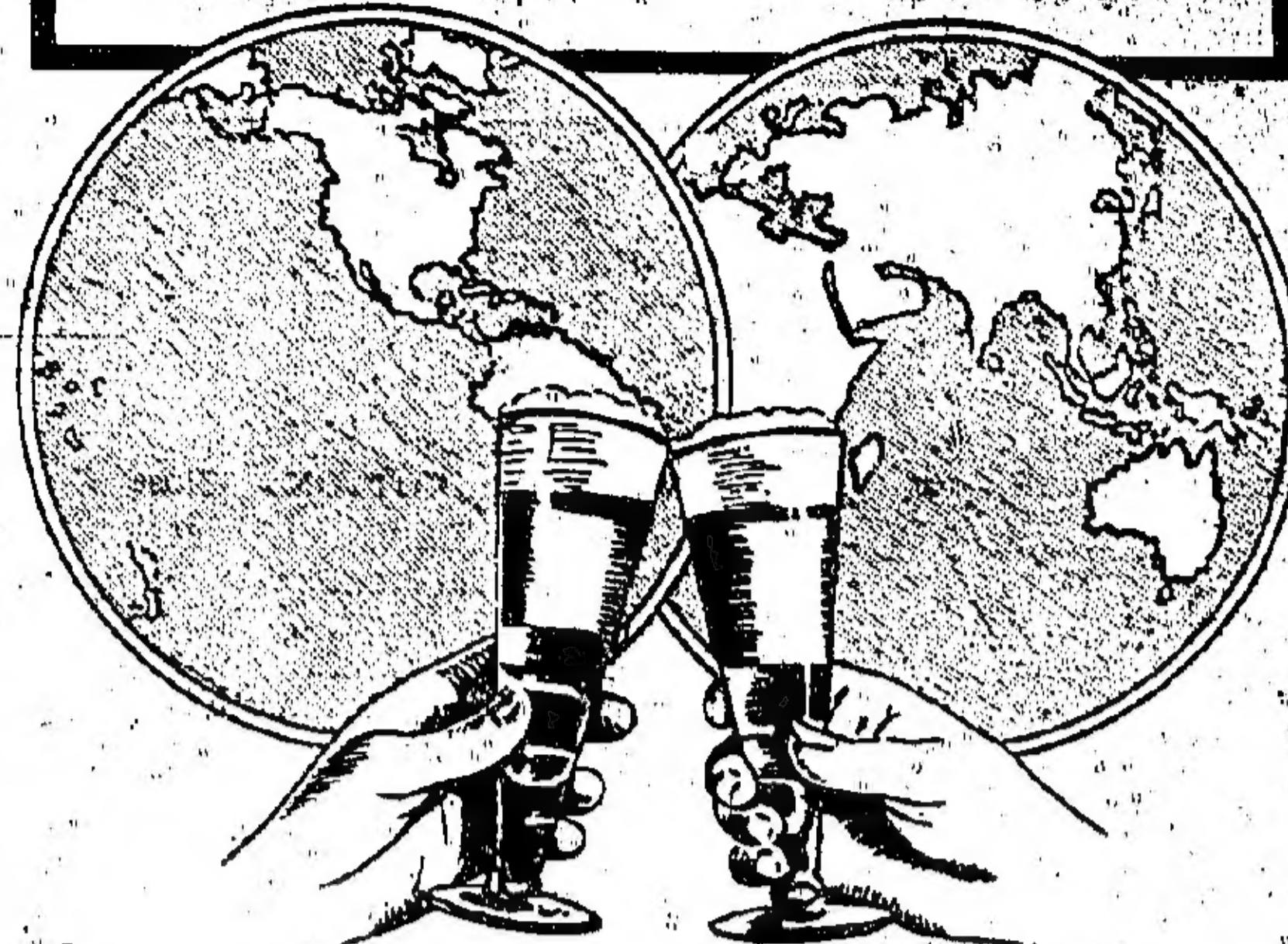
LONDON, March 19 (Reuter). — A contribution of £1,000 from the Central British War Fund from Shanghai was among the contributions received yesterday.

This makes the total of the Lord Mayor's National Air Raid Distress Fund to £2,266,000.

NEW DELHI, Mar. 19 (Reuter). — The Raj spokesman announced that Indian Trade Commissioners will shortly be appointed to Canada and South America.

Sir P. A. James suggested in the Assembly that the appointment of representatives to Burma and Malaya would not be overlooked.

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### MINERALS

Canada's total mineral production for 1940, given an impetus by the demands of war, is estimated at an all-time record of \$500,000,000. Ten mine products—copper, nickel, lead, gold, silver, the platinum metals, coal, petroleum, and natural gas, all of greatest importance in national war economy.

—contributed 90 per cent of the total mineral production.

Base metal production in Canada has provided a large reservoir of vital war metals requiring the minimum of ocean transport for delivery to the British armament industries. It conserves Empire foreign exchange by reducing the purchases of these metals which would otherwise have to be made from neutral countries. Because of low production costs, it conserves the financial resources of the Empire.

Thus, with this vast wealth of natural resources competently placed in the hands of a freedom-loving people, Canada drives ahead.

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MARCH 19, 1941

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Telegraphic Transfer 1/2 7/8	
Bank Bills, on demand 1/2 7/8	
Credits 4 months sight	
On Shanghai:—	
On demand 440	
On Singapore:—	
On demand 52 3/4	
On Japan:—	
On demand 102 1/2	
On India:—	
Telegraphic Transfer 82 1/2	
and demand	
On New York:—	
Bank Bills, on demand 24 1/8	
Credits, 60 days sight 24 7/8	
On Batavia:—	
On demand 46 1/4	
On Paris:—	
Bank Bills, on demand Nom.	
Credits 4 months sight Nom.	
On Saigon:—	
On demand 104 1/2	
On Manila:—	
On demand 48 1/4	
On Bangkok:—	
On demand 149 1/2	
On Sterling Notes:—	
Bank Buying Rate Nom.	
Bar Silver per oz. 93 1/2	

## Market Report

## FROM ROZA BROS.

Wednesday, Mar. 19.  
Silver prices were unchanged yesterday, the quotations remaining at 23 1/2 for Ready and 23 7/8 for Forward. Silver advances reported the market as being steady with very little business passing. American Silver was quoted at 34 3/4 for Spot.  
The London/New York cross-rate was quoted at 402 1/2 New York/London was quoted at 403 1/2.

## MARKET

## STERLING

No business was reported. There were sellers at 1/3 up to May, buyers at 1/3 1/2 for any delivery.

## U. S. DOLLARS

Nothing doing. There were sellers at 24 1/2 for near and probably May, buyers at 24 9/16 for Cash.

## SHANGHAI DOLLARS

Opened with sellers at 450 with business done subsequently at 450 1/2, 451 1/4 and 451 1/2. At the close there were sellers at 451 1/4 for Spot and buyers probably at 451 1/2.

## SHANGHAI MARKET

Opened with sellers of Sterling at 3.5/16 and then steadied up to 3.21/64. At the close the market was back again to 3.5/16 for Spot, U.S. Dollars opened with sellers at 5.7/16 and closed a shade easier at 5.13/32 for Spot.

## Shanghai Exchange

Shanghai, Mar. 19 (Reuter).

Official T.T. Rates	
	Opening
London	0/3-1/4
New York	5-5/16
Japan	22-1/2
India	18
Paris	nominal
Hongkong	21-5/8
Sterling	
	Sellers
Spot	0/3-5/16
Mar.	0/3-5/16
Apr.	0/3-5/16
U.S. Dollars	
	Opening
Spot	55-7/16
Mar.	5-7/16
Apr.	5-13/32
Market	Quiet
Silver Duty Rate	
The Central Bank of China's rate on London at 10 a.m. today was 1/2-1/20.	
The Equalisation rate was 24 1/2 per cent	

## Calcutta Exchange

Calcutta, Mar. 18 (Reuter).

T.T. on Japan, 31-1/4

## India Rupee Paper

London, Mar. 18 (Reuter).

Govt. 3 1/2 Rupee, 85-14-0.

## LONDON METALS EXCHANGE

London, Mar. 18 (Reuter).

Tin, Standard, Cash, Middle

Price, £271-3/8.

Tin, Standard, 3 months, Middle

Price, £280-1/4.

Market barely steady. After

hours, 50 tons were sold at un-

changed prices. As from April 1,

tin plate exports will be permitted

only for the purpose of aiding the

war effort.

## NEW YORK COMMODITY MARKET

(REUTER'S SERVICE)

NEW YORK, Mar. 18, 1941.

	High	Low	Prev. Close	Today's Change
New York Cotton, May	10.85	10.69	10.62	19 up
New York Rubber, May	22.41	21.80	22.40	08 off
Chicago Wheat, May	88	86 1/2	86 1/2	1 1/2 up
Chicago Corn, May	64 1/2	63	63	1 1/2 up
New York Hides, June	13.90	13.48	13.70	18 up

NEW YORK COTTON		Close	Opening	Closing	Change
May	10.62/63	10.69/70	10.81/81	19 up	
July	19.58/58	10.69/63	10.78/78	20 up	
October	10.50/50	10.54/55	10.69/69	19 up	
December	10.48/48	10.53/53	10.69/69	21 up	
January	10.47 N	10.53/53	10.67/67	20 up	
March	10.44 N	10.50/52	10.65/65	21 up	
Spot	10.95		11.14	19 up	

Total sales Monday:—206,000 bales.

NEW YORK RUBBER		Close	Opening	Closing	Change
May	22.40b	22.41/42	21.80/85	50 off	
July (New contract)	21.85b	21.75b/95a	21.50/50	35 off	
September ( )	21.43/43	21.50 A	21.00b	43 off	
December ( )	21.20 N	unquoted	20.90 N	30 off	

Total sales for the day:—220 tons.

CHICAGO WHEAT		Close	Opening	Closing	Change
May	86 1/2	86 1/2	87 1/2	1 1/2 up	
July	82 1/2	83	84 1/2	1 1/2 up	
September	83 1/2	83 1/2	85 1/2	1 1/2 up	

Monday's sales:—11,291,000 bushels.

CHICAGO CORN		Close	Opening	Closing	Change
May	63/63 1/2	63 1/2	64 1/2	1 1/2 up	
July	63 1/2	63 1/2	64 1/2	1 1/2 up	
September	63/63		64/64	1 up	

NEW YORK RICES		Close	Opening	Closing	Change
June	13.70/70	13.58/65	13.88/89	18 up	
September	13.73/73	13.55/63	13.02/95	10 up	

Total sales for the day:—164 lots.

NEW YORK COCOA		Close	Opening	Closing	Change
May	7.06 N	7.07/07	7.26 N	26 up	

NEW YORK SUGAR NO. 3		Close	Opening	Closing	Change
May	2.33b/39a		2.33b/40a	unch.	
July	2.41b/42a		2.42b/43a	01 up	

Volume of business done:—371 lots.

NEW YORK SUGAR NO. 4		Close	Opening	Closing	Change
May	81b/81 1/2	81 1/2	82b/82 1/2	01 up	
July	85b/85 1/2	85 1/2	86b/86 1/2	00 1/2 up	

Volume of business done:—156 lots.

NEW YORK COPPER FUTURES		Close	Opening	Closing	Change
July	11.62b/87a	11.60b/85a	11.65b/88a	03 up	
N.Y. Official Silver	34-3/4		34-3/4		
N.Y.-London Cross Rate	4.03-1/2		4.03-1/2		

## LONDON STOCK EXCHANGE

(REUTER'S SERVICE)

London, Mar. 18.

The following quotations are the middle prices at the close of the market in London. All quotations are subject to confirmation and no responsibility is assumed for errors in transmission.

War Loan, 3 1/2% (Red, after 1952)	104-3/16
Defence Loan, 3%	101-9/16
London-Klondike Rly. 5%	11
Chinese 4 1/2% Gold Loan, 1898 (Brit. Issue)	42
Chinese 5% Gold Bonds, 1925/26	40-44
Chin. 4 1/2% Anglo-French Loan, 1908	45
Chinese 5% Crisp Loan, 1912	24
Chinese 5% Reorg. Loan, 1913 (Ldn. Is.)	31
Chinese 8% Ster. Notes, 1925 (Vickers)	8-10
Chin. Imperial Rly. 5% Loan	47
Honan Rly. 5%	14
Hukuang Rly. 5%, 1911 (L.P. N.Y. Issue)	14
Hukuang Rly. 5%, 1911 (German Issue)	12
Lung Tsing & U. Hai Rly. 5% 1913	12
Shai-Nanking Rly. 5% (Brit. Stpd.)	12
Tientsin-Pukow Rly. 5% (Brit. Stpd.)	12
Tientsin-Pukow Rly. 5% (Ger. Stpd. Supl. Loan)	12
Jap. 6% Ster. Loan, 1924	21 1/2-24 1/2
Ger. 7% Intl. Loan, 1924	53
Chartered Bank	88
H.K. & Shanghai Bank (Ldn. Reg.)	75
H.K. & Shanghai Bank (Col. Reg.)	77
Chinese Eng. & Mining (bearer)	17/-
Chosen Corporation	4/-
Mercantile Bank of India, 2 1/2% "G"	104 1/2
Pekin Syndicate	1/6
Shai-Elec. Constr. Co.	12/6
Shai Waterworks "A"	11 1/2
Union Insurance	22
Gula Kalumpung Rubber	15/8
Lon. & Mid. & Scot. Rly.	12 1/2
Great Western Rly.	33 1/2
National Bank of India	81 1/2
S-A Tob. (bearer)	88/3
Dunlop Rubber	32/9
Bristol Aeroplane	10 1/2
Imperial Chemical Ind.	29 1/4

## HONG KONG STOCK EXCHANGE

Government 3 1/2% Loan in the lead was followed by a representative list during morning's trading.

## BUYERS

H.K. Govt. 3 1/2% Loan (1934), 94.	
Bank of East Asia, 370.	
Wharves, 93.	
Docks (O), 16.25.	
Providents, 55.15.	
Hotels, 31.10.	
Lands, 31.75.	
Humphreys, 38.70.	
Realities, 33.10.	
Lights (O), 38.20.	
Electric (O), 44.1.	
Electric (N), 40.90.	
Macao Electric (O), 17.80.	
Macao Electric (N), 18.80.	
Telephones (O), 52.4.	
Cements, 17.20.	
Watsons, 10.90.	

## SELLERS

H.K. Govt. 3 1/2% Loan (1934), 94.50.	
Docks (O), 16.50.	
Providents, 55.20/15.	
Trams, 16.25.	
Lights Rts., 75 cts.	
Electric (O), 44.15.	
Ropes, 38.10.	
Watsons, 10.90/11.	
Entertainments, 57.20.	

## SILVER MARKET

## LONDON SILVER

London, Mar. 18 (Reuter).  
Silver—Little trade buying. Offers light. Market steady. In the afternoon, buyers were satisfied and the market was steady.  
Spot, 23-1/2d.  
Forward, 23-7/16d.

## BOMBAY SILVER

Bombay, Mar. 18 (Reuter).  
Market—Steady. Offerings 50 bars.  
Indian Mint Silver  
Ready 62-13  
Apr. 22 Settlement 62-14  
May 21 Settlement 63-01

## LONDON GOLD

Bombay, Mar. 18 (Reuter).  
Bar Gold, Fine per oz, 188/-

United Steel	20/6
Woolworths	48/-
Marmat Investments	8/8
Western Holdings	10/-
Sub-Nigel	142/6
Shell Trans. & Trad.	
(bearer)	41/10 1/2
"bid"	42 div

## NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE

## QUOTATION

(REUTER'S SERVICE)

MARCH 19, 1941

STOCKS		Last Sale	Mar. 18
Adams Express	5 1/2		
Allegheny Steel Co.	22		
Allis Chalmers	29 1/2		
Aluminum Ind.	75 1/2		
Amer. Can.	86 1/2		
American Cyanamid B.	33		
Amer. & Foreign Power	1 1/2		
Amer. & Foreign 7 1/2 pf.	1 1/2		
Amer. Locomotive	13 1/2		
Amer. Metals Co.	18 1/2		
Amer. Radiator	6 1/2		
Amer. Rolling Mill	14 1/2		
Amer. Sling and R'ing Co.	40 1/2		
Amer. Sugar Refining	18 1/2		
Amer. Tel. & Tel.	16 1/2		
Amer. Tobacco "B"	58 1/2		
Amer. Waterworks	5 1/2		
Anaconda Copper	24 1/2		
Atchafalca, T. & S. Fe.	24 1/2		
Aviation Corp.	3 1/2		
Baldwin Locomotive	15 1/2		
Baltimore & Ohio	3 1/2		
Barber Asphalt Co.	9 1/2		
Barnsdall Oil	8 1/2		
Bendix Aviation	35 1/2		
Bethlehem Steel	80 1/2		
Bilas & Co.	18 1/2		
Boeing Airplane Co.	15 1/2		
Borg-Warner	17 1/2		
Briggs Mfg.	212 1/2		
Budd Manufacturing Corp.	4		
Canadian Pacific R'way	3 1/2		
Case, J.I.	49		
Celanese	23 1/2		
Chesapeake & Ohio	39 1/2		
Chrysler Corp.	66 1/2		
Columbia Gas & Elec.	4		
Commercial Credit Co.	29 1/2		
Com. & Southern (Ord.)	11 1/2		
Consolidated Edison	21 1/2		
Consolidated Oil	5 1/2		
Continental Can	37		
Continental Oil	18 1/2		
Copperwire Steel	14		
Curtis Wright (C.)	9 1/2		
Curtis Wright "A"	26 1/2		
Deere & Co.	20 1/2		
Distillers Corp. Seagrams	16 1/2		
Douglas Aircraft	74 1/2		
Du Pont de Nemours	146 1/2		
Eagle Picher Lead	9 1/2		
Eaton Mfg. Co.	33 1/2		
Elec. Autolite	31		
Elec. Bond & Share	3 1/2		
Elec. Bond & Share 5 1/2 pf.	55 1/2		
Elec. Bond & Share 6 1/2 pf.	64 1/2		
Elec. Power & Light 7 1/2 pf.	13 1/2		
Flintkote	13 1/2		
Gen. American Trans.	51 1/2		
Gen. Electric	33 1/2		
Gen. Motors	43 1/2		
Gen. Railway Signal	14		
Gen. Tire & Rubber	12 1/2		
Glidden Co.	13 1/2		
Goodrich (B.F.)	13 1/2		
Goodrich 5 1/2 pf.	83 1/2		
Goodyear Tire & Co.	18 1/2		
Great Northern Iron Ore	14 1/2		
Great Northern Rly. pfd.	25 1/2		
Great Western Sugar	25 1/2		
Greyhound Corp.	11 1/2		
Hercules Powder Co.	7 1/2		
Homestake Mining	47 1/2		
Int. Nickel	26 1/2		
Inter. Paper & Power	14 1/2		
Int. Tel. & Tel.	2 1/2		
Johnsman	61		
Kennecott Copper	34 1/2		
Libbey-Owens-Ford Glass	35		
Lockheed Aircraft	32 1/2		

STOCKS		Last Sale	Mar. 18
Loew's Inc.	32 1/2		
Loft Incorporated	18 1/2		
Mack Truck Inc.	28 1/2		
Martin, Glen L.	29 1/2		
McKesson & Robbins, p/d.	25 1/2		
Montgomery Ward	37 1/2		

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HAKONE MARU Friday, 11th Apr.

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LIMA MARU Saturday, 22nd Mar.  
HAKODATE MARU Friday, 28th Mar.

KOBE & YOKOHAMA  
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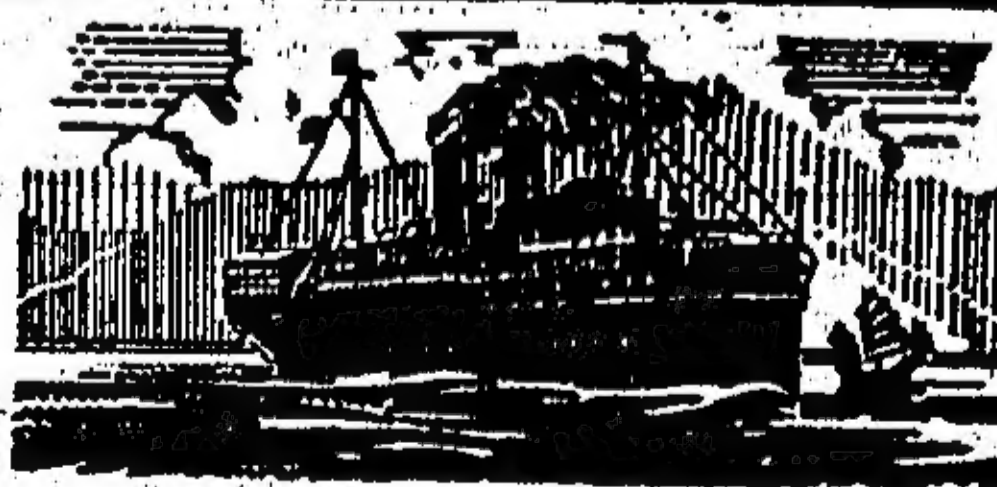
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## Police Courts

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### AT KOWLOON

#### CHARCOAL THEFT

Four months' hard labour was imposed by Mr. H. C. Macnamara yesterday on Ng Hui, 24, for stealing 53 cattles of charcoal from a junk at Yau-mat.

It was stated that about 8.30 a.m. on Tuesday an Indian private watchman saw defendant and two others taking charcoal from a junk. He tried to question them but was caught by the two others and thrown into the harbour.

Later the Indian met defendant carrying a sack of charcoal at Canton Road and had him arrested.

Accused had four previous convictions.

#### SNATCHER CONVICTED

Convicted of larceny of a handbag and contents, valued at \$68 from Chan, Lo-sai, married woman, in front of the Alhambra Theatre, at K1, 22, was sentenced to three months' hard labour.

A passer-by gave chase and arrested defendant on the roof of 112, Temple Street.

The handbag was recovered.

#### UNREGISTERED WARD

Appearing before Mr. D. J. N. Anderson yesterday on the charge of bringing into the Colony an unregistered ward without giving notice to the S.C.A., a 44-year-old woman, Liu Po Kum, was fined \$20.

Inspector H. W. Fraser said that on March 16 defendant brought the girl, Ho Choi-hap, 17, to the Hungnam Police Station and complained that she had been staying out for the whole night. The girl admitted the allegation and said that she had been beaten by defendant.

The girl, who had been present to defendant at 11 years of age for \$80 Chinese currency, was ordered to be placed under the care of the S.C.A.

#### TAILORS REMANDED

Having a toy pistol and two knives in their possession while walking along Hsueh-hom, Chan Kam-hoi, 35, Cheung, Ing, 38, and Chan Juk-sang, 28, tailors, were arrested and charged with possession of weapons without being able to give a satisfactory explanation, before Mr. Anderson yesterday.

Det.-Sgt. H. J. Baldwin asked for a remand of 48 hours which was granted.

#### JUVENILES CONVICTED

A 15-year-old girl and another juvenile, aged 16, who were convicted on a charge of larceny of money and jewellery to the total value of \$1,380 from No. 434, Shanghai Street, were given six and five months respectively by Mr. Macnamara yesterday.

Another 15-year-old girl, who was charged with accessory after the act was gaol for four months.

#### TOTAL OF 323 CASES

Three hundred and twenty-three cases of Cholera have been reported since the beginning of the year and within the last 24 hours a total of 78 cases were notified.

Of the cases registered on Tuesday, 70 were notified from Victoria, four from Kowloon and four from Aberdeen and rural Hongkong.

## A.R.P. ORDERS

MARCH 19, 1941

A.R.P. Orders issued by Wing-Commander A.H.S. Steele-Perkins, O.B.E., Director of Air Raid Precautions.

### SPECIAL ORDER

The Director of Air Raid Precautions wishes to thank all members of the Hongkong Corps of Air Raid Wardens for their untiring work during the recent Census, and to record his appreciation of the conscientious manner in which they carried out their duties.

### STRENGTH-INCREASE

The following Wardens have been permitted to resign:—Deputy District Warden Lam Sing-hoi, 1072 Yeung Kin-chee, 1117 Pok Moon-shum, 3243 Poon Kam-wah, of Western Division and 1365 Yeung Hong-kai, and 378 (T) Chan Kwan-wing of Eastern Division. District Warden F. R. Lamb, Gough Hill.

### CHANGE OF ADDRESS

2763 Miss Chan Kin-hing, Mongkok, to 483 King's Road, ground floor, Quarry Bay; 2865 Ho Woon-kwong, Quarry Bay, to Kun Hing School, Shui On Street, Tai Po Market.

### PROMOTIONS

The following promotions are notified with effect from March 19:—Headquarters—3099 Mrs. V. M. Evans to be Group Warden; Bay View—To be Group Wardens—S/W 1, F. D. Leonard; To be Senior Wardens—52 (T) Lau Chan-fan, 54 H. T. Barma, 51 (T) Mrs. A. Baker; To be Deputy Wardens—42 L. To 43 (T) Miss A. Thom, 49 M. A. Khan, 50 (T) Miss P. Elarte; Western—To be Deputy Group Wardens—1057 S/W Man Tok-ming; To be Deputy Senior Wardens—1150 Miss Chak Fuk-chun.

### APPOINTMENT

The following appointment is notified with effect from March 19:—Warden 3382 F. A. Dinsdale, to be Deputy Divisional Warden, Western Division.

### LEAVE OF ABSENCE

485 (T) J. Mak is granted two weeks' sick leave as from March 14; 448 Chu On, Gough Hill, granted 4 weeks' leave as from March 17.

### INSTRUCTIONAL COURSES

Wardens' Classes in Chinese—C. 307 Ellis Kadoorie School, Hospital Road, Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays at 6 p.m. commencing on March 22. Lecturer—Mr. Lau Yau-chi. L.A.R.P.S.; C. 308 A.R.P. School.

## Local Estate

Local estate sworn under \$5,600 was left by the late Mr. Walter Archibald William Dawn, who died at No. 134 Upper Main Road, Moulin, Burma, on Jan. 23, 1940. An application by Mr. G. G. N. Tinson, lawful attorney, for sealing certified copy of the probate of the will has been granted.

Happy Valley, Mons. and Thurs. at 7.30 p.m. commencing on March 24. Lecturer—Mr. Kwong Heung-wing. L.A.R.P.S.; C. 309 Yuet Sau School, 209 Yu Chau St., Shamshuipo, Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays at 6.30 p.m. commencing on March 24. Lecturer—Mr. Ho Kwok-cheung, L.A.R.P.S.; C. 310 Talken Sugar Refinery Free School, Quarry Bay, Tuesdays and Thursdays at 6.30 p.m. commencing on March 27. Lecturer—Mr. Lam Kwok-soi, L.A.R.P.S.

### EXAMINATION RESULTS

The following qualified as Air Raid Wardens but are not available for A.R.P. Service:—Chan Wing-kwong, Hung Tam-po.

### ATTESTATION

There will be no attestation of Wardens in Kowloon next week.

### A.R.P. DESPATCH CORPS (AUXILIARY)

The following appointments are notified with effect from March 3:—Acting Head Communications Warden (Hongkong and Kowloon) P. H. Chan, Divisional Communications Warden (Hongkong) K. W. Shin, Divisional Communications Warden (Kowloon) David Lee, Deputy Divisional Communications Warden (Hongkong) John Pau, Deputy Divisional Communications Warden (Kowloon) Tong Yung.

To be District Communications Wardens:—Hongkong—Ng Tze-tai, Leung Sun-tai, Li Chiu-shu, Wong Fuchan, Poon Shiu-wah, Yung Mat-tin, Kowloon—Leung Kwong-chor, Chow Shing-pang, Shum Yue-kam, Ho Wah-hing, Lam Po-wah, Yeung Heung-wing.

To be Deputy District Communications Wardens:—Hongkong—Loh Yiu-wah, Chiu Shuk-ming, Lam Hong-lai, Wong Yat-hung, Lee Ping-hui, Wong Shiu-lam; Kowloon—Chong Kai-sun, Chap Kit-sun, Chan Man-kit, Luk Yan-king, Leung Wing-yiu, Tang Kam-hing.

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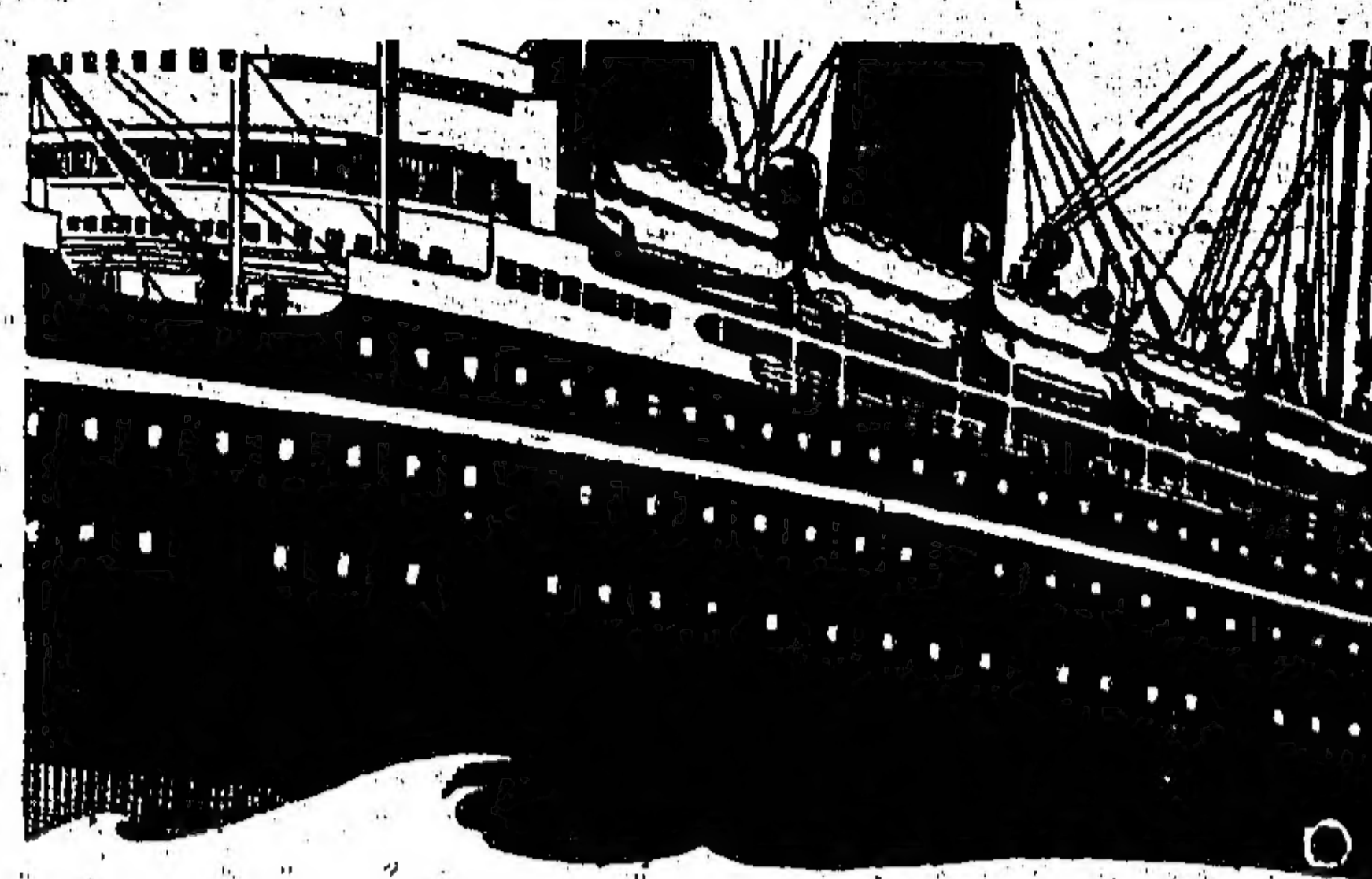
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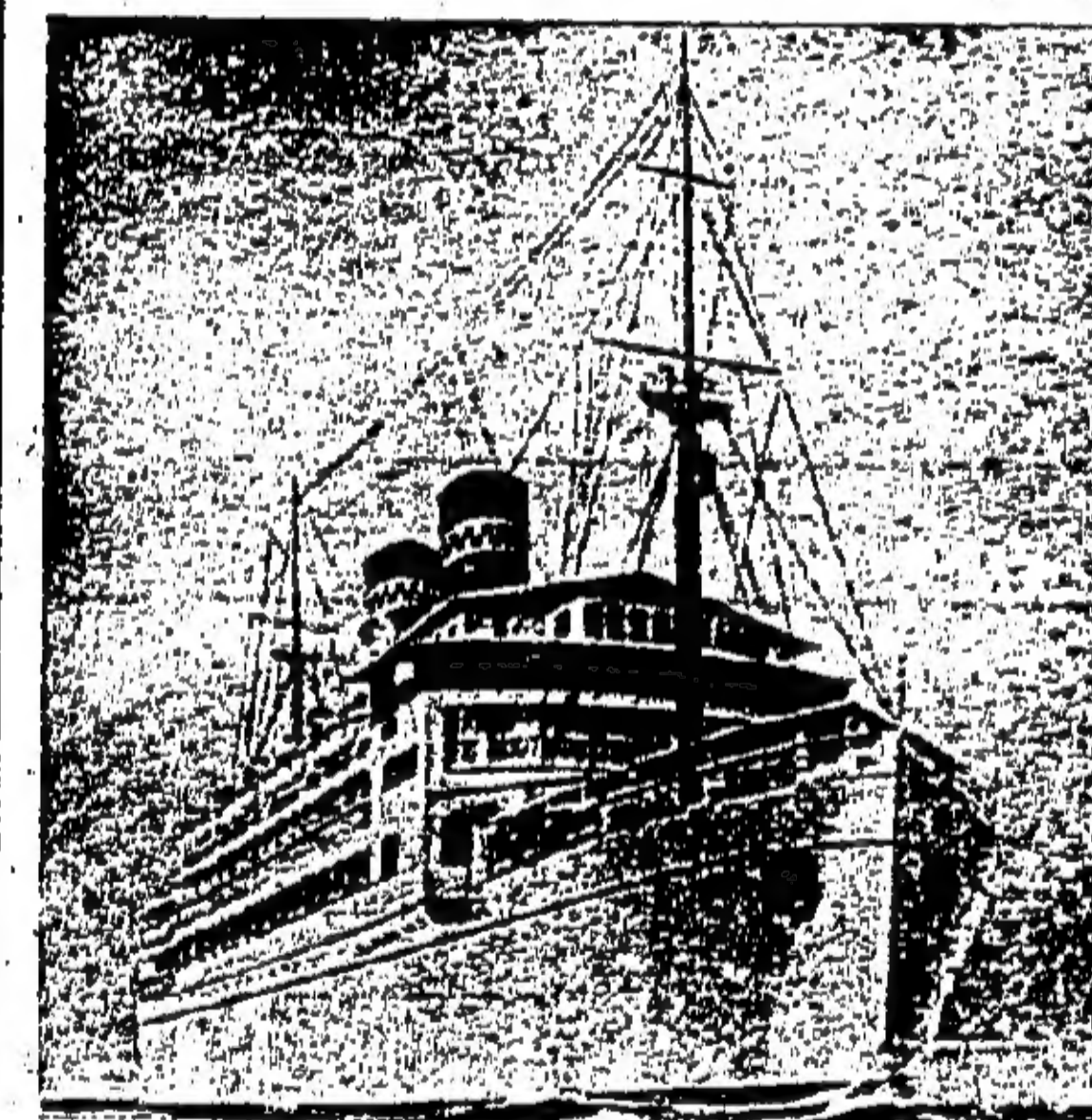
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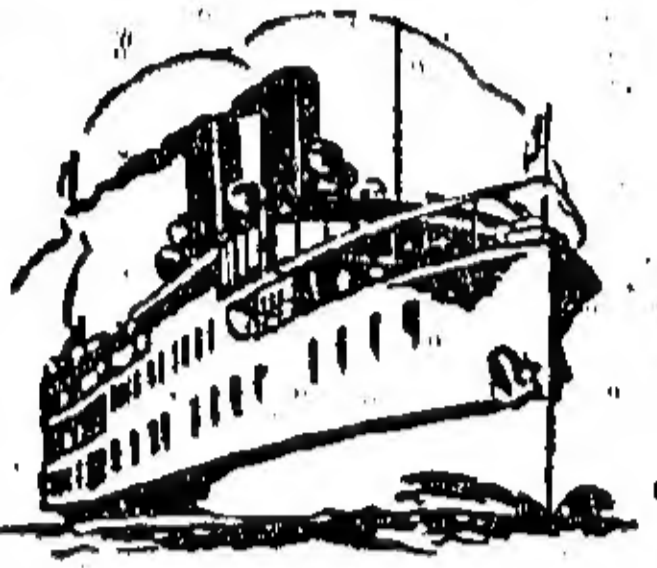
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# Funeral Of Mrs. Lee Yat

Funeral services for the late Mrs. Lee Yat (Lee Wong Siu Lan), who died in her residence, No. 31, Boundary Street, on Monday, were held at the Colonial Cemetery Chapel.

Rev. A. P. Rose, M.A., conducted the services which were attended by the relatives and friends of the deceased, and at which Mr. Y. K. Sze, the well-known tenor, rendered Ave Maria, accompanied by Mr. O'Neill Shaw.

A procession was later formed and proceeded to the Hindu Crematorium where cremation of the deceased took place.

## THOSE PRESENT

The chief mourners were Frances (daughter), Howard and Daniel (sons), Mrs. G. Crestejo, Mrs. Willie Wong, Mrs. Elsie Soong, Mrs. W. Lee, Mrs. W. Thom, Mrs. R. W. Pottschmidt, Mr. and Mrs. G. Huang, Mrs. K. Wong, Mrs. A. F. Lynn, Mrs. H. W. Chen, Mrs. Percy Chen, Mrs. Violet Chan, Miss Sue Ming, Miss Doreen Weir, Miss M. Lau, Miss M. Ma, Miss E. Chinn, Messrs. K. Wong, B. C. Fay, C. C. Moller, W. C. McDonald, Jr., F. Smith, O'Neill Shaw, Y. K. Sze, M. Chinn, J. Wong, K. L. Shan, Herbert Tong, G. Chow, Wallace Wong, T. T. Hung, P. Sun, H. M. Chen, C. Y. Tang, J. Y. Lum, and many others.

Messrs. Herbert Tong, George Chow, P. Sun, B. C. Fay, G. Huang, and E. Chu acted as pall-bearers.

## FLORAL TRIBUTES

Floral tributes were sent by Harry, Victor, Howard, Daniel (sons), Ngan Doon, Frances, and Hazel (daughters), Florence and Walter Chung (daughter and son-in-law), Rose and Bowen Chann (daughter and son-in-law), Mother, Mother-in-law, nephews and nieces, Lee Kok-kit (nephew), Mr. and Mrs. Lo, Mr. and Mrs. Leung, Doreen, Mum, and Minnie, Dr. Geo. Seltzer, Mr. and Mrs. L. Everett, Mr. and Mrs. Wesley Tom, Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Pottschmidt, Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Chan, Mr. and Mrs. George S. Jung, Mr. and Mrs. Wah Lee, Mr. and Mrs. John Wong, Miss J. Y. Lam, Mr. James Ming, Sue Ming and Amy Young, Mr. H. L. Woods, Miss Major, the Mar Family, George and Bebs Wong, Brian Fay, Charlie Sun, Bun Yehman, Billy Sun, McDonald, S. Y. Tsu, R. and W. Wong, Misses T. S. Hung, Sue Ming, M. Lau, Doreen Weir, Elsie Lee Soong, Vivian and Nancy Ho, Nancy Young, Mrs. Violet Chan, Mr. and Mrs. Percy Chen, Mrs. Violet Chan, Mrs. E. Olsen, Ella Chinn, Olga Smith, F. Martha Law, Messrs. C. W. Hunter, J. Y. Lum, Carl Sheffer, Jr., W. C. McDonald, Jr., George Chow, Y. K. Sze, Herbert Tong, V. Lum, Wally Wong, Jack Wong, T. S. Tsu, Kiwi Moller, Richard Chung, P. Venezia, Frank Smith, H. M. Chen, C. Y. Tang, S. Z. Sien, H. C. Woo, C. H. Wong, C. K. Miller, E. P. Pawley, W. D. Pawley, George B. Arnold, Samuel T. C. May, Inter-continental Corporation, Wildcats Softball Team and Chinese Baseball Club, Chung Hwa Club, and many others.

# LATE MRS. E. W. PISSAREVSKY

The funeral of Mrs. E. W. Pissarevsky, widow of the late Mr. L. J. Pissarevsky, well-known industrialist and ship-owner in Siberia and Manchuria, who died at the Queen Mary Hospital on Tuesday, took place at the Jewish Cemetery yesterday.

Rabbi Eleazer, of the Jewish Synagogue, conducted the services. The late Mrs. Pissarevsky has been in failing health since 1937 brought about by her husband's death. The deceased was well-known for her charitable work among her compatriots.

## THOSE PRESENT

Among those present at the services were her son, Gregory, Mr. and Mrs. Pysaphis, Mr. and Mrs. Brassilevsky, Mrs. Ellis, Mrs. Zak, Dr. M. A. Yarovsky-Erooga, Dr. Bard, Dr. Yarovsky, Messrs. K. Weiss, Lamb, Joseph, Whitgob, Bogdatsky, Y. F. Lee, T. F. Lee, Talant, Greenberg, K. C. Fong, A. David, L. Kadoorie, T. P. Lee, J. Shea, V. Vargassoff, M. C. Yashkin, B. L. Chen, Z. S. Yu, L. S. Lu, F. S. Wang, Miss Sophie Patashinsky, and many others.

Messrs. K. Weiss, Joseph, Whitgob, Bogdatsky, Brassilevsky, Greenberg, Talant, K. C. Fong, and A. David, acted as pall-bearers.

Wreaths were sent by Loving Son, Martha, and Jennie, Louise, Karl and Bob, Mr. and Mrs. E. R. Lamb, Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Fong, Mr. and Mrs. E. Landau, Mrs. Zak, Messrs. Lai Yat-hing, Ng How-chung, John W. Y. Yuen, and others.

# VALLEY TRAINING TIMES

The following times were clocked during training gallops held at Happy Valley yesterday morning:—

	Dis- tance	1st Qr.	2nd Qr.	3rd Qr.	4th Qr.	Last Qr.
Iron Belle	1	36	112	143	212	29
Snow White	1	35.4	107.3	136		28.2
Cocklerol	1	39	112.2	143.3	212	28.2
Rowan	1	28.3	57.2	125.4		28.2
Nomine Poenae	1	37.2	113	149.2	219.2	30
Eve of Deception	1	36.4	111.1	144	214	30
Wayworth	1	29.2	100.1	131.4	201	29.1
Venus Bay	1	34	106	132.2		26.2
Riverside	1	30.2	100.1	130.1	159.3	29.2
Strathbannock	1	34	107	143	215	32
Franklin	1	29	57.3	126.1		28.3
Sunlight	1	36	110	144.2	215.3	31.1
War Tax	1	33.2	106	135.3		29.3
Far View	1	37.4	110	139.1	206.1	27
Night Express	1	36.3	108.1	140.2	214	33.3
Baffin Bay	1	30.2	102	134	201	27
National Reform	1	28	57	126.4		29.4
Avon	1	33.4	107	137.4		30.4
Strathalbyn	1	34	107	139.2	209.2	30
Sports Lady	1	36	110.4	142.1	212.2	30.1
National Blessings	1	36	110	140		30
Subpoena	1	39	114	150	223.2	33.2
Archber	1	39	113	144	212	28
Moonlight	1	36.1	109	139		30
Arnieber	1	33	106	138.1	208.2	30.1
Distant View	1	33	105	134	202	29
Santa Anita	1	35.4	108.3	138.4		30.4
Casino & Macy	1	32.3	102.2	131	204.2	33.2
Jus Gentium	1	36	111	144.3	215	30.2
Oracle	1	30.1	100.3	129.3		29
Wonderful Scheme	1	43.3	124	203.4	240	33.1
Odeon	1	36.1	110.2	142		31.3
Gold Rod	1	34	105.4	135.2		29.3
Angel of Glory	1	31	101.4	130.4		29
Fleetwing	1	30	101	130.1	158.2	26.1
Corsair & Tobaccoship	1	32.1	101.2	129	157.4	28.4
Marsh Warbler & Corriedoo	1	34	104	133	201.2	28.2
A Roaring Time	1	30.3	100	129.2		29.2
The Koala Bear	1	33	104.4	135	203.1	28.1
Bruno	1	29.2	58	126.1		28.1
Viceroy	1	35.3	108.1	137.4	205.1	27.2
Saratoga	1	38	109.3	140	210	30
Bona Vacantia	1	33.3	104.3	132.4		28.1
Graceful View	1	34	106.2	141	212	31
Brutus	1	32.2	102.3	131	158.4	27.4
Bendigo	1	32.3	103	131		28
High Hat	1	37.3	106.2	35.1		28.4
Annabella	1	30.4	58.4	126.1		27.2
Royal Sovereign	1	25.2	53.2	124.2		31
Bandito	1	45.2	124.4	159.2	230.1	30.4
Starlight View & Mountain View	1	36.1	108	136.3	206	29.2
A Rosy Time	1	32.3	104	135	205	30
Reindeer	1	45.2	124.4	159.2	230.1	30.4

# SMALL UNITS SPORTS

## Area Meet Record Equalled

One Area Army Meet record was equalled and keen competition was seen in the invitation relay yesterday when the Combined Small Units sports were held at Chatham Road.

The record equalled was by SGT. MANFIELD, R.A.F., who covered the 220 yards in 22 seconds flat.

The invitation relay was won by Middlesex "A" (L/Cpl. Cox, Cpl. Seton, Pte. Williams and Pte. Goodair) with Middlesex "C" second.

## THE RESULTS

Full results were:—  
100 yards: 1. Sgt. Manfield, R.A.F., 2. S/Sgt. Emberson, R.A.O.C., 3. Driver Brown, R.A.S.C. Time: 10 2/5 secs. High Jump: 1. Sgmn. Bennett, 5 ft. 1 in., 2. Sgt. Pitt, R.A.O.C., 5 ft. 1 in. 880 yards: 1. L.A.C. Moulton, R.A.F., 2. Cpl. Palmer, R.A.F. Time: 2 mins. 28 secs.

Putting-the-weight: 1. L/Sgt. Bedford, Sg., 35 ft. 2 ins., 2. Cpl. Malekin, R.A.O.C., 30 ft. 9 1/2 ins., 3. Capt. Belton, 29 ft. 7 ins., 220 yards: 1. Sgt. Manfield, 2. Driver Brown, 3. Capt. Belton. Time: 22 secs.

Hammer throw: 1. Sgt. Pitt, 77 ft. 7 ins., 2. Sgmn. Bennett, 71 ft. 6 ins., 1-mile: 1. Sgmn. Lewis, 2. L.A.C. Moulton, 3. Sgmn. Lithauer. Time: 5 m. 25 secs. Long jump: 1. Cpl. Morgan, R.A.O.C., 18 ft. 10 1/2 ins., Javelin throw: 1. Capt. Belton, 127 ft. 7 ins., 2. L/Sgt. Bedford, 113 ft. 3 1/2 ins., 3. Sgt. Pitt, 109 ft. 4 ins., Invitation mile relay: 1. Middlesex "A", 2. Middlesex "C", 3. Middlesex "B", 4. Le Salle College. Time: 4 mins. 5 4/5 secs.

Discus throw: 1. Sgmn. Bennett, 78 ft. 11 1/2 ins., 2. Sgt. Pitt, 74 ft. 3 1/2 ins., 3. L/Sgt. Bedford, 73 ft. 3 ins., 3-miles: 1. Sgmn. Lewis, 2. L.A.C. Moulton, 3. Sgmn. Lithauer. Time: 18 mins. 20 secs.

Major L. Hayes, R. Signals, was Chief Track Judge, Major E. Curran, R.A.M.C., Chief Field Judge, and Capt. R. Scriven, I.M.S. Starter.

Chang, K. Y. Fong, C. M. Lee, Y. M. Gai, Shiu Ku, D. C. Tsu, T. P. Lee, E. J. Whitgob, Y. F. Lee, L. K. Wieh, K. C. Fong, Braziersky, K. C. Hsa, P. J. Wong, Wallace Chang, H. C. Nip, F. C. Euyang, T. F. Li, S. S. Lin, T. T. Yee, Max Friedman, S. S. Lin, T. T. Yee, Max Friedman, Col. K. H. Wang, Staff of Universal Wallace Harper and Co. Dodge and Sermon, L.A. and others.

# VERY REV. FR. A. RIGANTI

## Presentations On Silver Jubilee

On the occasion of the silver jubilee of the ordination of the VERY REV. FR. A. RIGANTI to the priesthood, on Tuesday, a Solemn Mass and Solemn Benediction and "Te Deum" were held yesterday.

Fr. Riganti came to Hongkong in 1920 and was Chaplain of St. Joseph's Church for seven years before becoming Rector.

The Solemn Mass was said at St. Joseph's Church at 8 a.m. yesterday and the Solemn Benediction and "Te Deum" at the Catholic Cathedral at 6 p.m., at which the Cathedral and St. Joseph's choirs rendered appropriate music including two compositions by Fr. Riganti.

## PRESENTATION

A presentation of gifts was then made to Fr. Riganti in the Mission House by the Right Mgr. H. Val-torta.

Misses Tomikilla Sousa, Aida Agabeg, and Elvie Yuen, Mr. Antonio Gutierrez and the Choirs of St. Joseph's Church and the Cathedral took part in the musical programme.

Addresses of congratulations were delivered by Miss Annie Rocha and Miss Marie Braga, while Mr. J. P. Sherry made the presentation on behalf of parishioners of St. Joseph's Church.

Presents were received by Fr. Riganti from his sister (beautiful set of vestment in Gothic style); St. Joseph's Choir (silver chalice); Cathedral Choir (set of Altar linen); Little Flower Club (set of vestment hand-painted by Miss C. Xavier); "A Lira da Florinha" (silver cigarette box, with all the names of the members of the Bard cut at the back); his colleagues (Priests) (two blackwood frames with pictures of the Sacred Heart of Jesus and Mary beautifully embroidered in silk); sundry gifts ad a cheque from his parishioners; Catholic Ladies Association, Kowloon (wallet); Canossian Sisters (set of vestment beautifully embroidered); and Miss A. Agabeg (silver cutlery set).

## BADMINTON

In the "B" Division of the badminton tournament, Kowloon Tong won by default last night when the Police failed to turn out.

# FOREIGN MAILS

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	Ord. 5.2nd, 10.30 AM
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	Parcels Noon
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	2.30 PM
SUNDAY	Sun. 23rd
Canton.	5.00 PM
MONDAY	Mon. 24th
Holhow	10.30 AM
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Canton	7.00 PM
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	Ord. 11.30 AM
	G.P.O.
	Reg. 11.00 AM
	Ord. 11.30 AM
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